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FROM NEW-ORLEANS.

A Piracy in the Gulf of Mexico.

A Schooner Captured by Piratical Passengers.

A FENIAN ATTACK UPON NATCHEZ.

Bayville of the Enemy, with the Loss of 600 Prisoners.

The steamship *Morning Star*, from New-Orleans Dec. 12 and Havana 15th, arrived at this port yesterday. She brings $100,000 in specie and 1,100 bales of cotton.

We are again indebted to Purser Fuzam of the *Morning Star*, also the Purser of the steamship *Harriman*, for favors.

The *Morning Star* left New Orleans Sunday, Dec. 13, arrived at Havana the 15th, and sailed next day. Has experienced heavy weather on the passage. Passed in the river, bound up, steamships *George Washington*, *Kennebec* and *McClellan*; ships *Skagit*, Old Dominion, *John and Albert*, and French ship *Amazone*; barks Mustang, *Tempest* and *Sachem*; brigs *Ida M. Cheney* and *Rival*; schooner *Robert Confidential*, and several vessels under sail.

Off Martel, passed a small schooner loaded with cotton (blockade runner) steering south.

Left at Havana steamship *Cuba* for New York, on the 19th. The French transport *Allier* arrived at Havana on the 15th, with 1,200 troops for Mexico; was to sail the next day.

The British brig *Mary* bound from St. John, N. B., for Havre, with a cargo of lumber, struck on the reefs at the entrance of the harbor, on the 9th instant. Crew saved. Vessel will be a total loss, but part of the cargo is expected to be saved. On the 12th the vessel and cargo sold for $2,500.

The *Morning Star* brings as passengers Capt. JAMES NUMMES and WALTER GRAMCOCK, supercargo of the schooner *Joseph L. Gawtz*, which was captured by the pirates second day out from Matamoras.

Capt. Nummes reports that he left Matamoras Nov. 10, bound for New-York, with a cargo of cotton and six passengers on the night of the 17th. About 12 o'clock the captain and two men on deck, one at the wheel and the other aloft, the six passengers made an assault on the captain with revolvers and knocked him down, threatened to shoot him if he made any noise. They took him forward and locked him in the forecastle, putting a guard over him. Four of them then went aft, and the mate, hearing the noise on deck, came up and was taken in the same manner and put in the forecastle with the captain and crew. Mr. Gamcocks, the supercargo, in attempting to come on deck was knocked down into the cabin and two shots were fired at him, but fortunately did not hit him; they confined him to his berth and kept a guard over him with orders to shoot him if he attempted to make any resistance. After keeping them in confinement for eight days, they put all hands into the small-boat and told them to find their way to land the best they could. They landed on the coast of Sisal, after being ten days and nights at sea. There they got passage to Havana in a Spanish brig, and the crew were sent to New-York by the schooner *Horace C. Bell*, from Sisal. The six passengers had paid their passage to New-York from Matamoras; their names were T. E. Hogg, of Baltimore; J. Brown, of Canada; James Clemente, Kelly, and Brown, and Wilson. This Wilson was mate with Gordon the slaver, and he says he was in the Toombs in New-York for four years and ten months.

They say that there are four other parties in Matamoras waiting for vessels and chances like this, and *that they are sure to get them. This same party* expected to have had a steamer at Matamoras, but that it got away before they had their plans laid. After they had put the Captain and crew in the small boat they hoisted the Confederate flag, and fired off their pistols as a salute, saying that they had authority from the Confederate Government so to do. When asked where they were bound, they said to Belize, Honduras, where they could sell the vessel and cargo.

The vessel was owned by FRANCIS GERRY, of New-York, and the cotton consigned to SEWELL & Co.

NEW-ORLEANS, Friday, Dec. 11.

There is now three thousand troops, under WEST ADAMS, CHERRY and LOGAN, appeared in the vicinity of Natchez early into week, attacked our forces under Gen. GRAMMIS, and were repulsed and pursued. It is said we took 600 prisoners.

Brig.-Gen. WARNER, commanding the First division, nineteenth corps, goes North to-morrow by the *Morning Star*. It is expected he will be transferred to Gen. BURSIDE's department, in compliance with the wish of the latter General. Others think he will return to this department with two stars. He is accompanied North by Lieut. PAGE, E. SMITH, Lieut. GROVER and Lieut. FITCH, of his Staff.

Reports which have been current of a conspiracy between the colored troops and rebel prisoners at Fort Jackson, are false.

A destructive fire occurred here this morning, the loss being estimated at $200,000. The buildings consumed were on Tchoupitoulas-street, between Gravier-street and Natchez-alley. They consisted of the large hardware establishment of F. F. FOLSOM & Co., the store of GRIFFY, BYRNES & Co., the store of BOSSIER & TASSLER, and two stores well stocked with liquors, belonging to JONAS PICKLING. Several other buildings on Natchez-alley were injured by falling walls. One Dutchman was killed, and several injured.

OUR NEW-ORLEANS CORRESPONDENCE.

Disturbance at Fort Jackson—Extraordinary and Unfounded Rumors—Grand Reception Party of Mrs. Banks—The Workingmen's National Union League—The State Election—Diversity of Opinions.

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW-ORLEANS, Saturday, Dec. 12, 1863.

THE FORT JACKSON AFFAIR.

The City of New-Orleans was kept in the utmost state of excitement, from the morning of the 10th to the afternoon of the 11th, with the most extraordinary rumors of a fearful revolt of the whole colored garrison at Fort Jackson. It is impossible for me to give you all the protean shapes which rumor assumed, as it always does upon such occasions, especially among those with whom the will is father to the thought. First we heard that five or six white officers had been killed; then twenty—literally chopped to pieces; then that two or three of our gunboats had been disabled by the "insurgents;" then—but why follow up all the monstrous falsehoods that the scum here were industriously circulating, temporarily feeding the disloyal upon false nourishment, and making heroes of the nerves of timid old ladies?

When the farce had gone on far enough, and might have become mischievous if prolonged to the departure of the *Morning Star*, which was expected to leave on Saturday morning—in allowing garbled and exaggerated statements of this petty affair to reach the North,—the *Times* came out on the afternoon of Friday with the few following official words, which had the effect of oil poured upon troubled waters:

"Some excitement occurred at Fort Jackson, on the evening of the 9th instant, in the course of an altercation between one of the officers and some of the men. Fortunately, the disturbance was soon quieted, and quiet was restored in the garrison without bloodshed."

I am not in possession of all the particulars regarding this unpleasant affair, but I know enough to assure you that it was merely *local*, originating in an officer having struck a colored soldier with a whip; but under what provocation I could not exactly learn. The character which disloyal people here tried to give the event, of organized dissatisfaction and reaction among our colored troops, was absolutely and atrociously false; and, therefore, however much we may lament the scandal that the occurrence may give rise to, and the handle thereby given to our enemies to make things appear as they really are not, there is nothing whatever in this little affair of Fort Jackson to alarm Copperheads or cause good loyal men uneasiness. No one will regret this occurrence more than our colored troops themselves, who, when well officered, are unquestionably among the most orderly and subordinate soldiers to be found in the United States service.

MRS. BANKS' RECEPTION PARTY.

A most delightful and brilliant reunion took place, on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 8, at the mansion of Maj.-Gen. BANKS. It was a reception party given by Mrs. BANKS, to which all the *élite* of the army and navy were invited, with all the foreign notabilities, and a large sprinkling of the most distinguished citizens among those who honor the old flag, and do not choose to keep themselves sulkily aloof from those who have been frequently called the "Yankee invaders."

Among the distinguished parties present, we noticed the following Staff officers: Brig.-Gens. F. J. Morton, Charles P. Stone, W. H. Emory, W. P. Benton, Jas. W. McMillan, Richard Arnold, A. L. Lee, James Bowen, H. W. Birge, G. F. Shepley, W. Dwight Andrews, and others; Cols. S. B. Holabird, B. G. Beckwith, N. A. M. Dudley, T. W. Cahill, D. J. Kelly, C. W. Killborn, R. B. Brown, A. D. Sargent, J. S. Clark, and others; Lieut.-Col. W. S. Abert; Maj. S. Norman Lieber, D. C. Houston, H. O. Brigham, J. G. Wilson, and a number of others; Capts. J. S. Crosby, J. W. McClure, Shunk, Irving, Roe, Owen, Hill, Morse, Hitchcock, Bulkley, McCoy, and others; Surgeons Alexander, Bacon, Homans, Keefer and Steinberg, &c.

The navy was represented by Commodore Bell, Capts. Morris of the *Fort Royal*, Marchand of the *Lackawanna*, Leroy of the *Oneida*, Sartori of the *Portsmouth*, Woolsey of the *Princess Royal*, Johnson of the *Kennebec*, Stanton of the *Pinola*, Dana of the *Cayuga*, Maye of the *Kenosha*, Murphy of the *Fort*, Jordan of the *Hollyhock*, Cooke of the *Estrella*, Girard of the *Tennessee*, Tibbetts of the *Arizona*, Lieuts. Sumner and Nokes of the *Penascola*, and a number of others.

Of foreign visitors, we had Commander T. H. M. Martin, Lieuts. Blackett and Balfour of H. M. S. *Bayard*, Commandant Charles Fabre and Lieuts. Lefort, Huet, Marc, Allier, of the French man-of-war *Cotinet*, besides the Consuls of the various nations.

Among distinguished civilians, too numerous to mention, we noticed the Hon. B. F. FLANDERS, Hon. O. S. DAVISON, Hon. CUTHBERT BULLITT, B. RUSH PLUMLEY, Judges WHITAKER, AYCOCK, HENSTEAD and PERKINS.

As very many of these gentlemen, both in military and civil life, were accompanied by their wives, sisters and daughters, many of them dressed in the most exquisite taste, you may imagine that the scene presented in the brilliantly lighted rooms and halls, and in the saloon where dancing was going on, was very grand and beautiful.

But amid that bright galaxy of sparkling uniforms and fair Northern beauty, there were two persons who were, necessarily, the focus of attraction, the "observed of all observers." Gen. BANKS had but a few days before returned from Texas, and as he stood by the side of his lady, receiving the greetings of friends, the contrast must have been great indeed between the scene then before him and his lonely tent he had just left upon the barren sands of Brazos.

THE WORKINGMEN'S NATIONAL UNION LEAGUE.

This Association is composed mainly, as its name indicates, of workingmen; and is steadily taking so active a part as to promise, at no distant date, to entirely revolutionize the social condition of this State.

Apart from the inherent qualities of Slavery, whatever men may choose to think of its divinity or accursedness as regards the black man, there can be no question whatever as to the depressing influences it has ever exerted upon the white masses,—reducing *the free white men of those Southern States to the condition of feudalism, in which they could not* think, speak or act but precisely as their self-appointed lordlings decreed that they should. I have read of men being suddenly struck dumb by some violent concussion of air, but the loud thunder of this war seems to have acted in a directly opposite manner, and given speech to millions who had hitherto been tongue-tied by the restless influence of Southern despots.

This movement of the workingmen of Louisiana is striking at the very marrow of this question. It is asserting the dignity of labor over the pretensions of capital, so impudently set forth by ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS, as the foundation of this whole secession movement; it is giving the world to understand that the people of Louisiana comprehend full well that, however Slavery may be the lever, there is an aim among these arch-conspirators against the country going far beyond the retention of power over the black man—an aim that would never be gratified until all power and influence were centered into the hands of the few, and the vast majority of white men reduced to a condition nothing less than vassalage.

To understand their danger is to half overcome it, and I have no doubt whatever that the movement now going on here among the workingmen will be productive of the most rapid and extraordinary results. It is not here alone that the good work is proceeding. In the country districts, among men who have hitherto never had a thought but what was reflected from the wealthy landlord who overshadowed them, proselytes are actively engaged in expounding the principles of manhood and independence. Men are beginning to stand erect in the presence of their Maker; and the same gun at Sumter which struck off the fetters from millions of black slaves taught millions of white men in the South, for the first time, the monstrous extent to which they have hitherto been trampled down by the self-created aristocracy of Slavery. Let this movement go on but a little longer, and the infernal doctrine of "*Capital must own labor*" will have to be preached in other ears than those of the free workingmen of Louisiana.

THE STATE ELECTION

still causes much discussion, and is really a very difficult question to determine. All true Union men here are, I imagine, agreed upon the point that a State election would be a good thing, and I think they are also agreed that, in any new Constitution which the people may choose to make, nothing less than a Free State one will be adapted to the present condition and future welfare of Louisiana. But there is a vast diversity of opinion, among good loyal men, as to whether or not the fruit is yet ripe for plucking.

Some say that it is; that by administering the oath of allegiance we shall be able to separate the wheat from the chaff, and thus carry a vote in favor of freedom. They say that even admitting that, by necessity, the vote would be a partial one, from the fact of the Federal forces being at present in possession of only a part of the State, the vote would soon follow and indorse any Free-State action, as rap MIy as our victorious arms advance.

The others, again, do not take so sanguine a view of matters. As to the oath of allegiance, they consider that that simply amounts to nothing at all. Men will call themselves Unionists, take the oath of allegiance, and, immediately after, throw their ballot in favor of the perpetuation of Slavery. What, they ask, is to prevent them? Before we throw down the gauntlet, had we not better be sure we can whip the men who venture to take it up? Such men say the fruit is not ripe. Let us, for the present, be content with the military Government we have, and it will be time enough to talk of convening for a new Constitution after we have more fully overcome the organized forces of the enemy and hold more complete control over the territory of the State.

I have heard it stated here, by those who should be well-informed, that the urging forward of this important matter comes from a source far higher than Gov. SHEPLEY, and that would seem an earnest of its being speedily put to the test. The same caution, however, which we have been taught to expect from such a quarter will prevent the good work from being spoiled by any rashness or overhaste. No precise time has yet been fixed, and it is only given out that when a sufficient number of loyal votes shall have been registered the election shall take place. A sufficient number is, of course, a term capable of rather wide application, and I have no doubt that, to whatever conclusion he may come, Gov. SHEPLEY will be guided only by what is safest and best for bringing about the result at which all good Union men are aiming—the return of Louisiana into the Union, without a stain of Slavery upon her skirts.

MEMO.

MEXICO AND THE WEST INDIES.

Interesting from Mexico—Death of Comonfort—Queretaro Occupied by the Franco-Mexican Party—Puebla and Orizaba Threatened by the Liberals—Proclamation of Alvarez.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1863.

By the arrival of the English steamer *Conway* from Vera Cruz, further intelligence has been received in this city from Mexico.

Information had been transmitted to the Regency in Mexico City that COMONFORT had been killed in an engagement with a small detachment of the Franco-Mexican division, under the command of MEJIA.

The official account was sent by Commandant GONZALEZ AVERZA, in a communication dated Nov. 19, and addressed to Gen. MEJIA, informing the latter that on the above-named day, a mail carrier from Chamacuero, who was carrying the mail-bag to Celaya, having been taken prisoner by him, informed him that COMONFORT was about to pass that way with an escort of 100 horse; that the above-named commandant set out immediately with his forces to meet him, when a running fight took place, from a place called the Mill of Sotta, as far as Chamacuero, when the enemy were routed; in returning back to where the engagement began, twenty dead bodies were picked up, among which was that of COMONFORT, together with various documents of interest, including letters of exchange to the value of $60,000, payable at Queretaro. It is stated, likewise, but does not appear in the official account transmitted to the Regency, that among the papers there was JUAREZ' plan of campaign, which was immediately sent to Gen. BAZAINE.

According to another account, COMONFORT's body was taken up by the adherents of JUAREZ' party, and carried to San Miguel de Allende, where it was made the subject of a *post mortem* examination, and afterward buried with the military honors due to his rank. He was found to have received a wound from a lance in the heart, one or two balls in the right side of the breast, and several sabre cuts about the head.

At San Luis it was at first reported that he had been taken prisoner, "which," says a letter from there, "not every body was sorry for." Other letters from the same place state as a fact, that COMONFORT had with him titles of exchange to the value of $100,000 for JUAREZ army, and that on hearing of his being taken prisoner, the Government tried to make the drawer return the money, which, says the account, he naturally refused to do. Col. DURAN, formerly Mexican Consul in New-York, and a great *protégé* of ROSLES, was believed killed at the same time. He was a Colonel of engineers, and planned the fortifications of the Capital during the last residence of JUAREZ there. As soon as the news was circulated at San Luis, that COMONFORT had been taken prisoner, NEGRETE was appointed to the office of Minister at War, and UNGA to that of Commander-in-chief.

NEGRETE's division which consisted, by the Franco-Mexican papers, of 600 men, on arriving at San Luis in a very bad condition, had been increased to 1,000 and were at San Francisco, where they were kept shut up and guarded, by the same accounts, that they might not desert.

JUAREZ' family had left for Saltillo, and on the 16th ult. were at a place called Rocas, about 12 leagues beyond San Luis. Besides his family and DOBLADO's, those of Generals VALLE and the late ZARAGOSA were also about to leave San Luis.

Several families of the Liberal party had arrived at San Luis from Queretaro.

According to the Franco-Mexican papers, disorder, it was feared, would take place when JUAREZ' government left the inhabitants of San Luis, not concealing the least their sympathy for the intervention and the Empire.

The adherents of JUAREZ say, that in their system of carrying on the war, it was never intended to defend the cities.

The content of Prince MAXIMILIAN to accept the throne was published officially in the Capital on the 17th ult. In consequence there was a great illumination all over the city the same night, and according to the accounts given by the papers of Mexico City great public rejoicing.

MEJIA notifies his occupation of Queretaro in an official communication to the Regency dated Nov. 19. *There was no opposition, the liberal troops having evacuated the place and retired to Celaya.*

Gen. BAZAINE made a public entry into Toluca on the 16th ult., and left on the 20th; it was expected that he would be at Guanajuato by the 30th of the same month.

UNGA according to accounts dated Nov. 21, was at Maravatio, fourteen leagues from the point where was stationed the advanced guard of Gen. BAZAINE' forces.

Gen. DOUAY, a part of whose forces under Col. MARGUERITTE, supported MEJIA in the advance on Queretaro, and by whose order MEJIA occupied that city, was to leave there at the last accounts for Celaya, whilst MEJIA was to march directly to San Luis.

MIRAMON left Mexico City on the 20th ult., with more than 200 officers, to form the central division, with which he was to go on to Durango.

According to accounts from Morelia, dated the 16th ult., taken from the Franco-Mexican papers, the town was full of alarm and anxiety, the movements of the Franco-Mexican army were watched with the greatest interest, and the friends to the intervention were daily increasing. SARNIGUARAL was at Maravatio with about 3,500 men, infantry and cavalry, including those that had lately arrived from Celaya. In Morelia, by the same accounts, there was no force remaining.

Some of the papers friendly to the intervention, give as a fact that VIDAURI, the Governor and military commander of New-Leon and Coahuila for JUAREZ, had gone over to that other party. Such does not appear as yet to be the case, although others say that he is only waiting a suitable opportunity to do so.

DOBLADO has issued an address, full of energy and fire, urging the inhabitants of the State of Guanajuato to resist the invaders. The *Cronista*, of Mexico City, had stated, in its issue of the 24th ult., that Guanajuato would be occupied the following day by the Franco-Mexican troops; but the *Sociedad*, another paper of the Mexican capital, doubted that such could be the case. "Between Queretaro and Guanajuato," says the last-named journal, "there is no small distance, which we do not yet know whether the allied forces have passed over; besides towns of more or less importance, whose successive occupation we ought to have news of before we can hear of the occupation of Guanajuato."

Some alarm had been excited in Puebla by the report that PORFIRIO DIAZ was going to encamp with his forces at Tepeaca, with the intention of attacking Rizabal and Puebla, the *Boletin Oficial* of that city, urges the timid to tranquilize themselves on that point.

An Indian war against the French and their supporters, is very likely to occur. ALVAREZ, who has hitherto kept quiet, has issued an address to the Indians of the South, urging them to make war upon the French who are going to destroy the privileges of the Caciques.

Letters have been received in Mexico City from Monterey, talking of the approaching arrival of a representative of the Confederate States to the Government of the Empire. As this is only a newspaper report it has nothing to assure its veracity.

The Archbishop of Mexico had withdrawn from the Regency, not agreeing with his colleagues as to the line of policy to be adopted toward the clergy whose property had been formerly confiscated, and which the Archbishop wanted to be returned to them.

ALMONTE's wife and family, escorted by a squadron of the Imperial Guard, left Vera Cruz for the Capital on the 30th of last month.

The guerrillas are still at work. An English subject (Mr. WILLIAM RAELING) was taken prisoner by a guerrilla party, while traveling in the diligence of Tuxtepec. They demand a large ransom for his liberty.

Gen. SANTA ANNA is reported to be disposed to join the Intervention, at least so say the friends of that party.

The Franco-Mexican paper *Sociedad* says that JUAREZ' Government have determined to retire to Durango from San Luis. It was intended on the approach of the French, to retire to Monterey, but to this VIDAURRI, the Governor and Military Commander of New-Leon and Coahuila, objected. The above paper boasts that he is about to join the Intervention.

HAVANA.

The weather last week was, for this island, very cold and excessively tempestuous, with storms of rain and wind. On the evening of the 5th inst., shortly after sunset, an English hermaphrodite brig, the *Mary*, from St. John's New-Brunswick, with a cargo of lumber, was wrecked at the mouth of the harbor. The crew and part of the cargo was saved.

The Tacon theatre was the scene of much theatrical last Tuesday night, the 8th inst., which was kept as a holiday, being the anniversary of the patron Saint of Spain. The scene assigned was the dissatisfaction of the spectators at the performance, which did not correspond with the announcement given in the bills. The result was that the performances were suspended by order of the police; but not before considerable damage had been done to the theatre by the mob, who managed to pierce the cisterns and sofas, broke the chandelier, and had a fight with the policemen. The theatre was at last closed after it had been only for about an hour, but the money which had been paid as entrance was not returned to the spectators, this has been ordered to be paid over to the charitable institution called the *Casa de Beneficencia*, and must have amounted to a considerable sum, for the theatre, which is very large, was quite full, and the price of admission was inordinately high. The gendarmes of the suburbs who got up the affair has also been fined by the authorities for the non-fulfillment of what had been promised, and some of the more violent of the speculators were taken into custody, and locked up in the Punta Forteress.

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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE N. Y. TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, Dec. 20.

GEN. M'CLELLAN'S REPORT.

In compliance with a resolution of the House, the Secretary of War will communicate to-morrow the report of Gen. M'CLELLAN. It will make about two hundred pages foolscap. The accompanying documents are very voluminous. All will be immediately sent to the public printer.

THE RESULTS OF A DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

The following Senators and members compose the Committee appointed by the Democratic caucus to confer with the National Democratic Committee to fix the time and place for holding the National Convention: J. C. Allen, Illinois; Fernando Wood, New-York; G. B. Steele, New-Jersey; Wm. H. Miller, Pennsylvania; D. Marcy, New-Hampshire; Garrett Davis, Kentucky; Senator Hendricks, Indiana.

The following were appointed to arrange the order of business for the Democratic members who are to report to the caucus on Monday next: Dawson, of Pennsylvania; Brooks, of New-York; Pendleton, of Ohio; Mallory, of Kentucky, and Robinson, of Illinois.

THE COMMUTATION CLAUSE.

Since the Senate Committee has indicated its purpose to repeal the $300 exemption clause, enlistments have substantially ceased all over the country. The Governors of many States have, in letters to leading Senators, protested against the repeal, as sure to run up the price of substitutes to at least $1,000. The probabilities to-day are that the exemption will be increased by the Senate Committee to $500.

DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTH.

In the Department of the South, Dec. 5, 1863, Surgeon ELISHA R. WIRZ, U. S. A., is relieved from duty. EBENEZER SWIFT, U. S. A., is announced as Medical Director of the Department.

SPEAKER COLFAX'S RECEPTIONS.

Speaker COLFAX has rented house No. 6, on Four-and-a-half-street, known as the Clark Mills house, and on and after the second Friday of January he will commence his receptions of both Houses of Congress, and all his friends, every Friday evening during the session.

THE PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The Senators to compose the Special Committee on Pacific Railroad are: Howard, of Michigan; Collamer, of Vermont; Trumbull, of Illinois; Sherman, of Ohio; Harlan, of Iowa; Morgan, of New-York; Conness, of California; Johnson, of Maryland.

THE CHESAPEAKE PIRACY.

The Government will dispatch a messenger to Halifax to-morrow, with instructions to our Consul there. The action of the British authorities, in protecting the pirates of the *Chesapeake*, has caused much comment in diplomatic circles.

DISPATCHES TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, Dec. 20.

THE ENROLLMENT ACT.

It is understood that the majority of the Committee on Military Affairs in the House are opposed to repealing the commutation clause in the Enrollment Act, as reported from the Senate Committee. Senator WILSON speaks of his intention to offer an amendment, *authorizing enlistments in the rebel States, to be credited to the quotas of the loyal States*, the officers from which procure the new recruits, whether white or black.

Members of Congress are receiving large numbers of letters, containing suggestions and opinions relative to the proposed changes in the Enrollment Act.

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER TO SPEAKER COLFAX.

Thirty gentlemen were present at the complimentary dinner to Speaker COLFAX, last night. They were connected with the prominent journals of the country, and were of various political opinions. It was a pleasant and harmonious gathering. SAMUEL WILKESON, Esq., presided, and at the conclusion of his remarks proposed a sentiment which elicited from Speaker COLFAX a brief, appropriate, eloquent, and patriotic speech, in which he said the House of Representatives had chosen newspaper men for Speaker, Clerk, and Postmaster—a good share for the profession—and that in the Senate it was nearly the same way, the Vice-President, Secretary FORNEY and Sergeant-at-Arms BROWN coming in for the highest elective honors. He concluded by offering the sentiment: "The American Press—If inspired by patriotism, morality and humanity, it cannot fail to develop constantly increasing power and vigor, and consequent independence." Representatives BROOKS and BALDWIN, Senator ANTHONY, Superintendent of Public Printing DEFRIES, and Clerk of the House MCPHERSON afforded much pleasure to the company by their responses to the calls upon them.

NEW NATIONAL BANKS.

The necessary papers have been issued from the Treasury Department for the establishment of a National Bank at New-Orleans, with a capital of half a million, under the National Currency Act. Also, for a third bank at St. Louis with a capital of over one million, with the privilege and prospect of increasing it to five millions of dollars.

The First National Bank of this city will commence to-morrow with the issue of notes recently prepared by the Treasury Department for circulation by such institutions.

THE FIVE-TWENTY LOAN.

Only eighty millions of the five hundred millions of the "five-twenty" loan remain unsubscribed.

THE BLACK REGIMENTS.

Of 1,051 applicants for commissions in negro regiments 560 have been recommended by the Board for appointment, viz.: for Colonels, 8; Lieutenant-Colonels, 10; Majors, 25; Captains, 104; First Lieutenants, 153; Second Lieutenants, 260.

ABOLITION OF SLAVERY IN VIRGINIA.

The Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Delegates of Virginia at Alexandria, agreed last night on a bill calling a Convention for abolishing Slavery in that State, which will be passed to-morrow.

FUNERAL OF GEN. BUFORD.

The funeral of Maj.-Gen. BUFORD took place this afternoon, and was largely attended. Eight Major-Generals acted as pall-bearers. President Lincoln attended the services. The escort consisted of Battery L, Fifth United States Artillery, a company of cavalry and the Sixth regiment of the Invalid Corps. The bells were tolled and flags were at half-mast.

PETROLEUM VS. COAL.

The report of the Commission appointed by the Navy Department, consisting of three Chief-Engineers, who have made careful experiments for five months, showing the practicability of using petroleum or hydro-carbon oils for the purpose of generating steam, has been issued, and proves satisfactorily, it is said by those who have seen it, that the results show a great saving, not only for merchant steamers, but that a naval steamer can keep the sea under steam three times as long, with less labor and greater economy, as compared with coals, equal weights of each being considered; thus indicating a complete revolution in the mode of generating steam.

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Congress—Feeling in France—English Policy—Mr. Beecher in the Times—Another Confederate Steamer Escaped—The Vanderbilt—Irish Mats Going to America—Why English Laborers do not go—Spanish War News—Rebellious Settlers—English Engagements and Amusements.

LONDON, Saturday, Dec. 5, 1863.

Like a boy that has lighted a slow match to an unknown quantity of gunpowder, and is waiting in terrified expectancy for it to go off, Earl RUSSELL awaits the result of the snubbing he has just given the Emperor. It is not easy to say what may come of it. Nothing indicates an immediate explosion. It is may be that the Emperor means war in the Spring, and only threw out the proposition of a Congress to amuse the world while he completed his preparations. If so, it answers a double object. It binds to him those who accept it; it throws the responsibility of whatever may happen on those who reject it. The Emperor says: "I made a move for peace; I proposed a Congress to settle everything. You, England and Austria, rejected and defeated my plan. Now take the consequences; I wash my hands of them."

Some of the shiest writers in France are engaged in denouncing the selfish isolation of England—England that wraps herself in her selfishness as she is wrapped up by the surrounding sea. But England has chosen her course, and the very papers that most earnestly denounce Earl RUSSELL's refusal to enter the Congress are still constrained to approve the policy of this refusal. England, like her well-to-do citizens, wishes to build a high wall around her domain, cover it with broken glass, put up a sign, "Beware of man-traps and spring guns, and look out for the dog;"—to take care of herself, and let the rest of the world eat as it may. John Bull's policy is like the comprehensive prayer, "God bless me and my wife, my son John and his wife, us four and no more, Amen!" What does he care for the pacification of Europe? As much as for the war in America.

The *Times* publishes an extended report of Mr. BEECHER's reception in Brooklyn. His account of English feeling is generally a very correct one. Some of the papers sneer at what he said of the feeling of the Queen, but it is likely to be true. Earl RUSSELL and the Abolition party are more in her personal confidence than any others. Great numbers of the powerful nation, especially the dissenting congregations, who follow BAPTIST NOEL and Mr. SPURGEON, are also favorable to the North. As to the nobility and higher classes, there is no question about their sympathies. Those who go with the North and hope for Federal success, could be packed into a very moderate space. The press is a sufficient indication of opinion, and that opinion or feeling, I believe, I have never misrepresented.

And it is of no consequence, because it does not ultimate itself in action. Whatever cause the American Government may have had to complain, in the past, it cannot now be said that the English Cabinet is disposed to give aid to the Confederates. They seized the *Alexandra* and the rams of Messrs. LAIRD, and are watching the *Pampero*. They allowed the *Georgia* to recruit its crew at Cork, shipping, it is said, two or three hundred English and Irish sailors. But there are some accidents that the best disposed Government cannot always guard against. Are not many cargoes of goods sent from New-York to run the blockade? The British Government had occasion, a short time ago, to sell three or four war steamers on account of some defect in the machinery. These were bought, perhaps on speculation, perhaps directly by Confederate agents. The Government was warned, and ordered the one chiefly suspected to be seized. Too late. She got off into the channel, hoisted the Confederate flag, was boarded by her officers, who were waiting on the French coast, and, as the *Rappahannock*, Confederate war steamer, ran into Calais to finish her repairs. The English Government cannot bring her back, for she has gone out of its jurisdiction. The French Government will afford her the same facilities it has given the *Florida*, *Georgia*, &c. There is no help for it but to watch her *well, and take her when she comes out—an operation* our cruisers have not been very lucky, so far, in accomplishing.

The leading daily compares the sentimental emigration from Ireland to America to a horde of rats running along the hawser from an empty ship to a full one in the West India docks. They have scented the inviting cargo—they have heard of a country of plenty and high wages, with land and independence in the future, and the hawser is the 25 note that will take them safe over. No wonder they go. By every principle of political economy they ought to go. But there is a higher principle involved. The English laboring population have been divorced from the soil so long, it is so long since they lost the hope of hiring, not to say owning, a foot of land that they are content, in a stupid grumbling way, with the lot of mere laborers, getting just wages enough to live on in the poorest way, with occasional out-door relief from the parish, and the poor-house for a refuge when they can work no longer. This is the condition of some ten millions of Englishmen. More than one million are paupers, and three or four millions are always hovering on the verge of pauperism, worse housed and worse fed than the cattle and hogs of their employers. Even the cottagers of the Prince of Wales live in such a way as to disgust him at the sight of the miserable habitations, while blasphemous of brick, slate, iron and marble, and replete with every convenience, are palaces that would strike them with awe and amazement.

The Irish leave Ireland and go to America because they will not descend to the condition of English laborers. They scorn the slavery that in England is hereditary and habitual. The English laborer is born such, and such he lives and dies. He has no hope beyond. His heaven is a Christmas dinner or harvest home once a year, with plenty of beef and beer. The Irishman had rather starve on his half-acre of potatoes, with a pig or two to pay the rent; and, failing these, he goes where glory waits him, beyond the blue waters of the Atlantic—where, if he lives and behaves himself, he is certain of independence, and where his children are almost sure to prosper.

The war news from America comes along week by week, like the chapters of a sensation novel, always leaving off in a good place to keep up the suspense and excitement. Always MEADE is pursuing LEE, or LEE MEADE, and Sumter is just going to be taken and Charleston burnt, and TROUBLE driven out of Chattanooga, or BRAGG driven back on Atlanta, or BURNSIDE invested in Knoxville, or PARSON BROWNLOW driven from East Tennessee. Something is always just going to happen. Sometimes a tremendous battle is going on when the last telegram reaches the steamer, and we must wait for days to know which side has gained the victory, though it is generally a drawn battle that decides nothing but the fate of the killed and wounded. It is complained of the Southern Generals that they have never been able to reap the fruits of victory. The same may be said of the Northern Generals. The armies that were repulsed at Corinth, Antietam, and Gettysburgh, marched quietly away with scarcely any losses but those of the battle-field; and the same may be said of every Southern success, from Bull Run to Chickamauga. But the time must come when some General on one side or the other, will learn to turn a defeat into a rout, and a rout into a terrible and perhaps irremediable disaster, to convert a success into a decisive and crowning victory. Merely to repulse an attack, merely to drive an enemy from a battle-field, is not the way to end a war. But I am on the wrong side of the Atlantic for criticism, and while I write the work may have been completed.

Now we wait for what may happen in America or Europe! We send every report and contradiction about the Poles, and bothering discussions about Schleswig-Holstein. Earl RUSSELL is supposed to be dead or dying in India, which is not a healthy place for Imperial Governors General. Major GORDON is exploring unimaginable places in China. Japan prefers for war, and we are getting ready for Christmas. London goes to see Miss BATEMAN's Julia, or to hear SIVORI at JULLIEN's Concerts. DICKENS and THACKERAY begin new stories with the New-Year, which you will have, of course, without waiting; and Miss BRADDON, queen of the sensational fiction, drives on thence four years of heroes and heroines at a time, following up and making the most of her rapid and remarkable success. If reports are half true, she has made a large fortune already; in any case she has set hundreds of pens going, with the hope of winning a similar success, to the infinite disgust and weariness of the bookseller's critical readers on whom jumble manufactured novels by the cart-load.

In the theatrical world it is hard to say what draws best. As a rule, whatever is good in the way is sure to succeed in London, with any kind of a chance. Why should have gone to see Miss BRADDON's "Aurora Floyd"—I must give the time to the novel—when there is another BRADDON here just now, who also writes verses and may have written a "*Man Fred*," for ought I know—that the sublime, but, as we believe, unactionable tragedy would have filled Drury Lane a whole season? But it has, with good scenery, music and declamation. Miss BATEMAN was unknown, and for a night or two scarcely succeeded, but she has made a great success. A French-English piece, by TOM TAYLOR, bids fair to run the year out. FECHTER and his first lieutenant, JOHN BANCROFT have only to open their doors and all London flows into them. BOUCICAULT has written a new comedy, "How She Loves Him," in which he and the pretty little ACTES are playing in Liverpool. He does not come to London since his recent disastrous experiment, but he means to come and play *Beauty* and *Sir Harcourt* on alternate nights in his own "London Assurance." By the way, the bereaved JOHNS walked into Court the other day—by counsel—and conducted to accept ten guineas compensation for being taken to the station-house when he was lying in wait for Mr. BOUCICAULT, at his wife's lodgings. I wonder why these people do not put some of their improvised comedies and farces on the stage instead of into the Law Courts.

If Blackwood is still reprinted in New-York, you must have some pleasant reading, in its late articles in the November number, for example, in which it commences with all its ancient vigor and vituperation upon those who are misinformed about America. Tory malignity, and the scorn of the British aristocracy for Federal America has not often found a truer public expression, than in that bitter article. It is the present fashion of English writers and speakers to draw everything remarkably mild, and give even their bitrede soft expression; but now and then they "break out" like the Bendigo convicts and the writer in *Blackwood*, and spatter their pages with contempt and rage.

MONADNOCK.

MOVEMENTS OF GEN. BURNSIDE.

His Arrival in New-York—Reception at Cincinnati.

Yesterday, at twelve o'clock, Major-Gen. BURNSIDE and lady arrived in New-York from East Tennessee. They came by way of Cleveland, Ohio, and on their arrival in the City proceeded to the Fifth-avenue Hotel, where they took apartments. When it was known that the late hero of Knoxville had arrived, many persons of distinction made inquiries respecting his health, and sought an interview with the gallant officer; but after the fatigues of a lengthened journey he declined to see any one until to-day. He will remain for a week, and then proceed to Washington, where he has been ordered to report. As yet the object of his visit to the Capital is not known. He appears in excellent health. Last evening the General granted a short and very agreeable interview to the representatives of the press who called upon him.

RECEPTION AT CINCINNATI.

Gen. BURNSIDE was warmly received at Cincinnati, and just before he left, on Friday evening, he was serenaded, and in acknowledgment of the compliment, said:

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A reward of $50 will be paid for the recovery of the above bonds, and a like amount for evidence that will detect the thief. GEO. R. DUNN, Superintendent.
NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 10, 1868.

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SASH, BONNET, AND TRIMMING RIBBONS.
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GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES.
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LARGE ASSORTMENT OF CHILDREN'S CLOAKS.
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A LARGE ASSORTMENT
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An elegant variety of
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At popular prices.
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LE BOUTILLIER BROTHERS have some bargains in real French Merino at $1 per yard.
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As cheap as in years past.
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ALSO,
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Including our Celebrated French Kid Gloves at $1 per pair.
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NEW-YORK, MONDAY, DEC. 21, 1863.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

By the arrival of the steamship *Morning Star*, we have further advices from New-Orleans. Purser FULLER favors us with a report of a small piracy of the same style as that of the *Chesapeake*. The schooner *Joseph L. Gerstle*, bound from Matamoras, Nov. 16, for New-York, was captured the second day out by a party of persons, six in number, who shipped as passengers for New-York, from Matamoras. The officers and crew of the schooner were confined on board eight days, when they were put in a small boat, and after ten days floating about, they landed at Sisal, from whence the Captain and supercargo got passage to Havana. It was reported at New-Orleans that the rebels, three or four thousand strong, had made an attack on Natchez, and had been repulsed with a loss of 800 prisoners. Brig.-Gen. WEITZEL came North by the *Morning Star*. The reported conspiracy and mutiny among the colored troops at Fort Jackson was unfounded. There was no further news from Texas.

GENERAL NEWS.

We have received our Havana correspondence by the steamship *Morning Star*, and are thus put in possession of highly interesting details of recent operations in Mexico and St. Domingo. In the former place the French army of occupation was advancing by slow stages toward the interior, and experiencing great annoyance from guerrillas, who made communication with the base of supplies at Vera Cruz very precarious. A report was current that VIDAIN, Governor of the State of Monterey, had turned traitor to the Juarez Government, refusing to allow Monterey to be made the Capital; and that in going over to the French the States of Chihuahua and Durango went with him. Gen. DIAZ had made a famous raid through Queretaro, Michoacan, Guerrero and Oaxaca, to Puebla, capturing 271 Reactionist prisoners, a field-piece, and quantities of arms and ammunition. The death of COMONFORT is confirmed.

From Saint Domingo the Spanish accounts say that the insurrectionists have been repeatedly defeated of late with heavy loss. Troops, however, are still sent in large numbers from Havana, and more are announced to be on the way from Spain, to put down the rebellion. The hospitals at Saint Domingo, Puerto Rico and Santiago are filled with sick and disabled Spanish soldiers.

There was a disturbance at the Tacon Theatre, Havana, on the night of the 8th inst., growing out of dissatisfaction with the performance, and property to the amount of $3,000 was destroyed.

The official canvass of the election in Illinois, has just been completed, with the following result:

Total Union vote this year	126,505
Total Copperhead vote this year	90,499
Union majority this year	36,006
Copperhead majority last year	16,666
Union gain on majorities	49,762

Senator SHERMAN has procured for the use of the Western Sanitary Fair, at Cincinnati, the original autograph copy of the President's late proclamation of amnesty accompanying his message. It is full of interlineations and erasures, an evidence of the various shades of meaning to and from which the President was inclined in drawing it up.

The two Sioux chiefs, SWEETCORN and STANDING BUFFALO, have sent a message to Major HATCH, at Pembina, expressing a desire to make a treaty of peace. General SIBLEY has appointed Father ANDRIS, the Catholic priest at St. Joseph, Commissioner on the part of the United States to confer with them.

The Ninth, Twenty-ninth and Thirty-fifth Indiana regiments have reenlisted for three years, to a man. They will have a short furlough home in a few days. They are now at Chattanooga. Recruits from all portions of Indiana are pouring into Indianapolis. At least one hundred arrive daily, and are sent into the numerous camps.

During the gale on last Monday, one of the buildings in process of erection for soldiers' quarters on Johnson's Island, Lake Erie, was blown down, and FREDERICK T. KELLER, private, Company C, Twelfth O. V. C., killed, and three privates in the Hoffman battalion wounded, one of them supposed to be mortally. The men were at work upon the building at the time the accident occurred.

The Diplomatic correspondence of the State Department, consisting of three volumes, will be ready for the public to-day.

Mr. DENEW, Secretary of State, has appointed EZEKIEL CLARK, Esq., Recorder of the City of Utica, Deputy Secretary of State.

THOMAS SUTTON, Esq., of Morrisania, a printer, doing business in this City, has been appointed Agent and Warden of Sing Sing Prison.

Gold was steady at 151 ¾ cent. on Saturday. The Railway speculation feverish, and prices lower than on Friday. Money in good supply at 7 ¾ cent.

RECONSTRUCTION IN TENNESSEE.—Steps are likely very soon to be taken in Tennessee to reorganize the local authorities of the State, and put the machinery of Government again in motion. Hon. HORACE MAYNARD, Attorney-General of the State, has written a letter on the subject, which advises an election for county and town officers on the first Saturday of March next. The old Constitution, and the laws as they stood in May, 1861, will be the guide; all subsequent acts, being the work of rebels, are regarded and will be treated as null and void. The old Constitution requires that every voter should be a "citizen of the United States;" of course he must be one who recognizes his allegiance to the United States, and will take an oath to support the Constitution and obey the laws of Congress. The State Constitution already requires that every person elected to office shall take that oath before entering upon its duties. This will be an important step toward the reestablishment of civil authority in Tennessee, and if properly guarded, cannot be attended by any but good results.

The Chesapeake Pirates.

The City of Halifax has struck a vigorous blow in vindication of monarchical institutions. It has proved the infinite superiority of English authority over the democratic Government of the United States, in the maintenance of law and order. A gang of mutineers, who had gone on board an American steamer as passengers, rise upon the officers and crew, kill some and overpower the rest, and take possession of the vessel. The ship is recaptured in British waters and the offenders handed over to the British authorities, for such disposition as justice may require. And a mob in the streets of Halifax rescues them from the officers of the law and sets them at liberty. So far as we can see thus far, the authorities were utterly powerless, and did not even attempt to maintain themselves against the mob. If an affair of this sort had taken place in the United States we should have had no end of British diatribes against a Government which at any moment a mob could thus overthrow.

The motive of this demonstration on the part of the Halifax mob, was hostility against the United States. These mutineers were rebels, and were trying in their way to serve and aid the "Confederacy." That was quite enough for the neutral Blue Noses. No matter what crime these men had committed, their being rebels entitled them to sympathy and protection. It is, of course, impossible for any Government to recognize them as *prisoners of war, or as entitled to any of the* privileges of belligerents. They embarked on the *Chesapeake* within our lines, and without any recognized public character. If they were serving the Confederacy at all, they were serving it as spies,—and if they had been taken within our jurisdiction, they would have been treated as spies. They were taken in British waters, and, of course, they were in custody of the British authorities.

Practically, we see nothing to regret in their rescue and escape. We are not sufficiently interested in British institutions to care one straw for the disgrace inflicted on them by so flagrant and shameful a violation of law and order. That is a matter which those concerned may settle for themselves. If these men had remained in custody, our Government would have demanded their surrender; and then we should have had another diplomatic complication, breeding more or less ill-will, and adding to the public hatred which already menaces the public peace. If their surrender had been refused, we should have had fresh grounds of quarrel with England. If it had been granted, we should have had in our hands half a dozen more rebel ruffians to embarrass still more seriously the exchange of prisoners, and prolong the terrible sufferings and privations which thousands of our brave soldiers are now enduring in the rebel States. It would be very gratifying, doubtless, to hang these pirates; it would meet at once our sense of justice and feed our natural desire for public vengeance. But the pleasure would be too dearly purchased; and for our own part, we feel very well satisfied with their escape, and quite inclined to hope that the excessive and miraculous vigilance which the British authorities will doubtless put forth for their recapture, will not succeed. These scoundrels are evidently at home, and we hope they will stay there.

AN OLD SLANDER REVIVED.—Mr. McKEON stated before the Court of Common Pleas, on Friday, in one of those curious political harangues which are now-a-days called "arguments," that, in his opinion, "as sure as this war ended in the subjugation of the South, the next war would be on the Catholics of the country." "It is decreed," says he, "that Catholicity and Slavery should perish together," and he continues:

"Mr. SUMNER, standing in the Senate of the United States, made a speech in which he said that the twin relics of barbarism were not Slavery and Polygamy, but Catholicity and Slavery. It is denied that Mr. SUMNER ever said so. It is published in the *Congressional Globe*, and reprinted in the *Herald*, of this City. Born and educated a Catholic, I confess a poor one, I see the coming storm, and believe sincerely to-day that when the knife is taken from the throats of the Southern people, it will be turned to the throat of every Catholic in the North."

This story about the sanguinary intentions of the people of the North with regard to Catholicity, first attracted our attention in *Brownson's Review*, where it was alleged that it was the NEW-YORK TIMES that had announced the coming doom. Upon pressing Dr. BROWNSON for his authority for this statement, we were pleased to discover that he got it from one of those veracious organs called the "Catholic papers," in this City—from which of them we never took the trouble to inquire, as they are all equally worthy of credit. So far as we are concerned, this, of course, laid the matter at rest, and it would probably never have been revived, if persons of vivid imagination like Mr. McKEON did not confine their reading too closely to such prosperous newspapers as the *Express* and *Freeman's Journal*, which latter, according to him, "makes more money by maintaining that the national debt ought to be repudiated, and the Conscription act resisted by force, than it ever did before." It appears now, however, that it was Mr. SUMNER that said that "Catholicity and Slavery were the twin relics of barbarism;" and Mr. McKEON adds that the clause is reported in the *Congressional Globe*, but, with a horror of details characteristic of gentlemen who make such statements, he cautiously refrains from giving those little particulars of date, page and volume, which alone could give the statement even an air of credibility. Until these are furnished, we have no hesitation in saying that the story is as purely fictitious as any chapter in *Gulliver's Travels*. Mr. SUMNER is not, by any means, what might be called a very cautious or very moderate speaker; but there is not the slightest risk in branding Mr. McKEON's statement of what he said in the Senate as utterly untrue. Whatever may be Mr. SUMNER's offences or demerits as a statesman, a narrow-minded bigotry is not among them. His whole public life has been devoted to extending political rights instead of curtailing them.

The origin of this story of Republican hostility to Catholics, which Mr. McKEON tries to make respectable by repeating it in a court of justice, is probably easy of discovery. It doubtless grew out of the fact that the *Freeman's Journal* and the *Metropolitan Record* find that, like advising the repudiation of the national debt, they "make more money" by circulating it than they did before. Mr. McKEON is our authority for assuming the profitableness of advocating one kind of infamy; we see no reason why perpetrating another should be less remunerative or more repugnant to the tastes of the journals in question.

As to the story itself, it is beneath contempt. Mr. McKEON is not fool enough to believe what he says on the subject. He does not believe for a moment that the Republicans have any design, either of exterminating Catholicism or of killing Catholics; and all his fussy assertions in regard to this matter are simply the tricks of a lawyer to win his case, or the wicked devices of a demagogue to stimulate the bad passions of an excitable community. In either case, we are sorry to see so able and so respectable a man as Mr. McKEON stoop to use them.

Longstreet's Position in East Tennessee.

The late campaign of LONGSTREET in East Tennessee, has presented many peculiar features, but not one of them is more peculiar than *the fact, that after having been virtually cut off by the National forces advancing* upon his rear, he deliberately *marches past* the stronghold he is endeavoring to reduce, a distance of forty or fifty miles, turns round, and with his rear once more safely guarded, and with a railroad for his supplies, offers to his enemy battle. Though the severe fighting, reported a day or two ago, is unconfirmed, yet there is little doubt that LONGSTREET's retreat has come to an end. Having reached a point where his flank and rear are measurably safe from assaults from the direction of Cumberland Gap, and having direct railroad communication with Richmond, which he can speedily place in order, it is quite likely that he will stop where he is, intrench and await supplies and reinforcements.

This view is confirmed by the Southern papers, which announce that he had halted, and that the various small commands of SAM JONES, RANSOM, VANCE, VAUGHN and others, which have been operating independently, had joined him. What LONGSTREET's force was previous to this junction, has not been positively ascertained. He had his old corps, much reduced, and the divisions of BUCKNER and BUSHROD JOHNSON, of BRAGG's army; probably 25,000 men. The various bands mentioned above will probably increase his force to 30,000 men. WHEELER's cavalry, which was with him, has by a circuitous route through the mountains of North Carolina, rejoined the army now under HARDEE.

LONGSTREET, in this position, is no longer troubled about his supplies. With a railroad to Richmond, he will be freely supplied, so long as that place is a supply depot. But the *facility with which Longstreet may be reinforced from Lee's army* is the point now possessing the most interest. Assured of the inactivity of the Army of the Potomac, LEE can spare one of his veteran corps, and thus give LONGSTREET an army of fifty thousand men; an army with which he could resume offensive operations against Knoxville and the whole of East Tennessee, which would require a still larger force on our side to defeat. The halt of LONGSTREET in his present position, his apparent disposition to resist any further pursuit, and the concentration of all the troops in that vicinity, are very suggestive. What better could LEE do with his army, or a portion of it, at least, than to give GRANT occasion for more warm work in East Tennessee? Especially if that work involved, as it probably would, the employment of the greater portion of GRANT's army now at Chattanooga. LEE would have the shorter line of communication, could threaten Cumberland Gap, and would be on the flank of Chattanooga and its communications.

However, we have no fears. GRANT is in command. But the recent movements of LONGSTREET, and the proximity of LEE, together with the desperate necessity existing among the rebels, that something should be done, very pointedly indicate that the place to do something is still in Northeastern Tennessee.

SPOILING GOOD GENERALS TO MAKE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.—Nothing can be more admirable than the zeal and sagacity with which our neighbor the *Herald* is pushing Gen. GRANT for the Presidency. Every editorial article, no matter what may be its subject, winds up with an exhortation to the American people to be sure and elect him. The campaign is carried on with as much vigor as a Ward election, and by very much the same kind of newspaper machinery. "Vote for GRANT" is the closing and climax of every article, just as "Vote early" is in those sparkling paragraphs which adorn and enliven the columns of the party Press on the morning of election day.

We begin to have some fears that this vehement and formidable crusade may have some success. We care not so much for the Presidential aspirants whom it may crowd off the track, as for the military operations with which it may interfere. When any man, in any sphere of public duty, gets into his head the idea that he can be President, he has survived his usefulness. Water on the brain is an innocuous ailment in comparison. But when a General in the field is persuaded into being a candidate, or made to believe that he will be, he becomes just the most unfit man for such a place. He may not always be aware of its effect upon him; he may flatter himself that he is above all such considerations; but he is n't. No man is; and until human nature undergoes some radical change, no man ever will be. A candidate for the Presidency at the head of an army will inevitably, even if insensibly, pay a good deal more attention to public sentiment than to the public enemy. He will be much more anxious to take Washington than Richmond. He will work harder to fasten on his supposed rivals the responsibility for his failures than to avoid making them. And gradually there will grow up around him a clique of scheming flatterers, followed by a horde of hungry hunters for place, who will lose all care for the country in their zeal for his political success, and who will have little difficulty in convincing him that the main thing to be done is to crush his rivals and *thus* make himself indispensable to the nation. No man has ever succeeded in doing this yet, but that little circumstance does not deter scores of others from trying the experiment.

Gen. GRANT is an excellent, and what is more, a successful General. He has yet a great deal of very important work to do in the field. We trust he will be allowed to go ahead and do it. His worst enemies, if he has any, can wish him no worse fate than to be pushed before the public at the present moment as a candidate for the Presidency.

AMUSEMENTS.

The last performance of the German opera under Mr. CARL ANSCHUTZ, takes place to-night at the Academy of Music. GOUNOD's opera of "Faust" will be repeated, with Mme. JOHANNSEN in the cast instead of Mr. PARLEY.—This will give new importance to the character of *Siebel*. The performance on Friday was so great a success that there is a universal feeling of regret that the work was not produced earlier in the season. It might have changed the result of Mr. ANSCHUTZ's experiment. The public and subscribers will, we trust, seize this last opportunity of hearing "Faust" in the language in which it is decidedly heard to the best advantage. It should be borne in mind that the performances commence at a quarter to 8 precisely.

The ninety-first concert of the New-York Philharmonic Society was given at the Academy of Music, on Saturday last, under the direction of Mr. THEODORE EISFELD. BEETHOVEN's superb tone-picture, the Sixth symphony, was the opening attraction of the programme, and so far as merit is concerned might have been the closing one also. Writers like GADE and WAGNER are very small deer beside the deaf giant who conceived this joyous Bucolic—this eternal song of whispering trees, waving harvests, babbling brooks, and human peace, good will, and contentment. The symphony was interpreted very carefully, and received much merited applause. A *morceau symphonique* terminated the first part, and owed its position there, we imagine, to the fact that Mr. GOTTSCHALK was the solo pianist of the evening. This talented musician has a worthy ambition. The mere display of technical skill does not satisfy him; in fact there are others who can excel him in this specialty. When he comes to the Philharmonic Society he is always prepared with a new work, and in the merit of this he is alone. We know of no pianist in New-York who can write so well for an orchestra—certainly no one who devotes so much of his time and effort to this higher kind of study. The present morceau is a new effort to fuse the piano in the orchestra. In individual character the piano refuses to be fused; it remains always as an *obligato* instrument. Still in this light it can be put to good uses. LISZT has partially succeeded, and Mr. GOTTSCHALK, in a previous work, "Deux Morceaux Symphonique," has been more happy than in the present instance. The piano passages, indeed, seem to be very much the same in both works. Nevertheless, the idea of "Le Songe" is pretty and graceful; and the production of such a work is immeasurably more creditable, both to the society and to the pianist than the mere hammering out of an old Liszt fantasia, or some other specimen of piano-mongery. GADE's overture, called "In the Highlands," is an early and vigorous work, with more dash of treatment in it than fertility of invention. The overture to "Rienzi," by WAGNER—like that to the "Flying Dutchman"—is one of those things that ought never to be played in a concert. It is intended to provoke an intellectual and receptive mood for the subsequent opera, and probably does so; but in its isolated form it is about as cheerful as a dictionary. Why don't somebody present the Philharmonic Society with a new piece by WAGNER; something from "Tristram and Isolde," for instance. The composer is always interesting, but this everlasting repetition of his old things is tedious. Mme. VIRGINIA LORINI was the vocalist, and sang out of tune. The next concert will be under the direction of Mr. CARL BERGMANN. Let no one attend it—or the rehearsals—whose physical health is not good; whose nerves are not of the strongest; whose courage is not unquestionable. The music to be played is of the extremest character, and all for the "future." There are LISZT's "Faust" Symphony; WAGNER's Introduction to "Lohengrin," and WEBER's overture to "Euryanthe." Let us hope that the directors will provide a suitable hospital staff and an ambulance corps for the occasion.

Mr. MAX MARETZEK returns to the City to-morrow, and will commence a series of four performances at the Academy of Music on the following day. This accidental and acceptable addition to our holiday amusements will be hailed with satisfaction by all lovers of operatic music, and by that large number of strangers who congregate in the Metropolis at this season of the year. Mr. MARETZEK opens with VERDI's "Ballo in Maschera," which will, of course, be played for the only time. The company appears in Boston on the 4th of January.

The grand musical and literary entertainment in aid of the Relief Fund of the Ladies' Home for Sick and Wounded Soldiers, which took place on Tuesday last, at the Academy of Music, was, in every respect, a great success. One of the principal attractions of the occasion was a new poem by Mr. DE CORDOVA, entitled the "Soldier," a graphic and affecting narrative of patriotic life, which touched all hearts, and elicited unbounded applause. We notice, by the way, that this poem will be read by Mr. DE CORDOVA, for the second time, at the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, on the 29th of December.

The combined attraction of a fine day and splendid programme, drew an unusually brilliant audience to Irving Hall, on Saturday, when Mr. THEODORE THOMAS gave his ninth popular musical matinée. So many pretty girls are not often seen in one place. This fact alone should secure the success of the enterprise. There is no doubt, indeed, about its being already a success. A few fine Saturdays will make the THOMAS matinée as popular as a Philharmonic rehearsal. Mde. BONHEUR took part in Saturday's programme, singing with great skill RICORDI's well known air and variations, and assisting Messrs. CARUSI and CARPENTI in various concerted pieces. One of the instrumental attractions of the occasion was a new polka, (called the Christmas), by Mr. CHARLES FRADEL,—a lively and neatly written morceau, which will undoubtedly become a favorite with the dancing as well as the playing public. Mr. THOMAS is doing a good work in thus encouraging our resident composers. The lady patrons of the matinées were presented with copies of the polka, which is published by Mr. THEODORE HASEN, No. 4 and 7 Mercer-street. A very fine programme is provided for Saturday next, (the tenth matinée of the series). Mme. PAREPA, Mr. Wm. CARGE, Mr. GERMANIA, Mr. S. B. MILLS, Mr. TOURJEE, and Signor ARDITI will assist.

The announcements of the various theatres to-night are as follows: At WALLACK's, "Rosedale;" at the Winter Garden, the "Ticket-of-Leave Man;" at BIRCH's, "All Hallow Eve" and "Yankee Courtship;" at Mrs. JOHN WOOD's, (Olympic,) "My Precious," "Busy Bodies" and "Mischief Making;" at the Theatre Francais, (to-morrow evening,) "Les Femmes Révoltés," comedie vaudeville, "Le Marchand d'Images," interlude, and "Un Duel sous Richelieu," piece in three acts; at BARNUM's Museum, the "Ticket-of-Leave Man," a new Giant, a novel musical instrument, a big trout, and a hundred other things more or less dramatic.

The Stereocosmopticon at Hope Chapel is one of the most instructive and amusing exhibitions in the City. At this season, it is just the sort of thing that is needed for the young folks.

BOUCICAULT's comedy of "Married Life," was played at Mr. WALLACK's Theatre on Saturday night, for the first time this season. It is an amusing piece, and is always played well by this company. Mrs. WILLIAMS made her second appearance as Mrs. Caddie, and maintained the good impression created in the "Love Chase." A fair *dilettante* essayed the role of the jealous *Mrs. Lovet*, and with admirable success. The lady to whom we refer is Mrs. JAMESON, a new member of the company, and a novice in all that relates to the stage. The latter fact was hardly apparent, so completely did the lady seem to be at home. Mrs. JAMESON possesses a good voice, an admirable figure, and features that are handsome and strongly marked. She is easy in her bearing, but in all else, save natural gifts of intellect, she has everything to learn. It is sufficient to say that her *debut* was a success, and completely unattended by embarrassment.

Mrs. and Miss BROWN gave another of their readings from the poets at Clinton Hall on Tuesday last. The young lady possesses decided talent; her selections from "King Lear" displayed good dramatic judgment and power, and in other morceaux she exhibited skill and taste as an elocutionist.

Messrs. MASON and THOMAS' soirée of Chamber Music (Ninth season,) will commence at DODWORTH's Saloon on Tuesday, the 12th of January next, continuing every two weeks until the series of six is completed. The programme embraces many of the later works of BEETHOVEN, those novel and remarkable quartettes which have been called crazy, but which are steadily winning their way into favor. The musical world will be much interested in these performances.

The members of the New-York Harmonic Society will give their annual performance of the "Messiah," at Irving Hall on Christmas evening. Miss BRAINERD, Mrs. JENNY KEMPTON, Mr. SIMPSON, and Mr. THOMAS are the soloists; Mr. BRIGGS the conductor.

THE MENAGERIE.—The Broadway Menagerie uninterruptedly continues one of the favorite resorts. The beauty of the building and its adaptation to its purposes, the fine and numerous specimens of animals—the largest in this or any other country—the den performances and the less thrilling but more amusingly ease of the ring, all contribute to make it a place of interest, instruction and amusement to young and old. It is conducted in such a manner as to deserve the good name and popularity it has acquired.

BROADWAY AMPHITHEATRE.—A great attraction this week at this elegant establishment, in the engagement of Mme. LOUISE TOURJEE. This lady, who is the most accomplished of equestriennes, appears with her dancing horses. The *haute ecole* of equestrianism, as practically illustrated by Mme. TOURJEE, gives additional interest at this time from the fact that since the opening of the Central Park the New York ladies have paid more attention to that acknowledged than ever before, and Mme. T. is an accomplished expert in that branch of her profession. Her manege exercises form an admirable model for ladies wishing to acquire grace and skill in sitting and reining a horse. Mme. TOURJEE and all the principal artists will appear every afternoon and evening.

T. B. PETERSON & Co., of Philadelphia, publish *twenty-eight* different editions of CHARLES DICKENS' works, which they advertise this morning, with the price of each attached. These editions they generously propose to furnish to all ordering them, free of charge, by either express or mail. The prices range from fourteen to forty-five dollars the complete set, bound in substantial cloth. A complete set of Dickens, in plain muslin binding, costs in London $149. In type, paper, &c., the American is fully equal to the English edition. The Philadelphia edition, therefore, has the acceptable element of great cheapness. Another advantage it has over the English: it is wholly uniform in size, whereas an English set of Dickens, consisting of "longs and shorts," (tale 8vos. and squat, stout 12mos.,) never can range uniformly on the book-shelf. Out of twenty-eight editions, ranging at various prices, but at the lowest fully five-sixths cheaper than the books are sold for abroad, every family in this country can possess all the writings of the greatest novelist of the age. They are well adapted for gift-books.

THE TRIAL OF HON. J. R. GIDDINGS.

Motion to Quash Proceedings—Argument of Counsel.

Special Dispatch to the Toronto Leader.

MONTREAL, Friday, Dec. 18.

The Giddings case was heard to-day on motion to quash the *capias* and relieve his bail. The argument of his counsel was that it was illegal to issue a *capias* on Sunday, especially under circumstances not warranting the issue on that day; second, that a *capias* could not issue for unliquidated damages which arose from a personal tort; third, that the affidavit did not contain sufficient description of the quality assumed by the plaintiff, who did not know whether he was a party to the suit or not; that the grounds of belief of the deponent REPPAPE requiring to be set forth clearly in detail by the positive statute law of the land, unless they are sufficient to justify the issue of the writ, ought to be set aside. In a motion to quash. It was held by the counsel for Mr. GIDDINGS that no *capias* can issue for unliquidated damages. It was held by the counsel for REPPAPE that it is not necessary that the writ should depend on unliquidated damages.

The motion to quash the writ and the motion for security for costs was taken *en delibre* by Judge SMITH.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Friday, Dec. 18.

A train of cars, under a flag of truce, left Norfolk for Suffolk yesterday, with fourteen women and eleven children, in charge of Capt. TAUSSIG and Lieut. SEAVER, of Gen. BANKS' Staff, to remain South.

Major-Gen. BUTLER has issued an order for enrollment of all able-bodied male citizens, colored and white, between 18 and 45 years of age, in this department, to be completed Jan. 1.

Maj. STEVENSON, commander of the army gunboats, has been relieved of his command by Brig.-Gen. GRAHAM.

The magazine explosion in Yorktown destroyed nearly all the buildings in the town.

Maj.-Gen. BUTLER and Staff left for Newport's News this afternoon.

On Wednesday last our pickets were driven in at Gloucester Point by the rebels. Two companies were immediately sent out, and dispersed the enemy.

A Mistress Strike Suppressed.

BOSTON, MASS., Sunday, Dec. 21.

One hundred and forty nail-makers in the iron foundry at Neponset struck for higher wages Saturday afternoon, and there were indications of a serious riot. The town authorities on being notified of the affair, sent to Boston for police aid, which was promptly furnished, and eleven of the leading strikers were arrested and committed to jail. The other workmen then quietly dispersed, and will probably resume work at the old prices.

Arrival of the Hibernia at Boston.

BOSTON, Sunday, Dec. 20.

The steamship *Hibernia*, from Liverpool, Dec. 6, arrived at Halifax this evening. Her mails will be forwarded to New-York to-morrow morning.

EXPEDITION TOWARD RICHMOND.

Particulars of the Attack on Charles City Court-house—A Wild Night for a Bivouac—Surprise and Capture of Pickets—Charge on the Rebel Camp—The Spoils of Victory—Contrabands Coming In.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Monday, Dec. 14, 1863.

AN expedition, composed of six companies of the First New-York Mounted Rifles and three companies of the One Hundred and Thirteenth New-York regiment, has just returned from a highly successful raid to Charles City Court-house, situated near the south bank of the James River, and seven miles beyond the Chickahominy. The expedition was under the direction of Col. R. M. WEST, the present commander of this post; the cavalry was commanded by Col. B. F. GRAMMONT, and the infantry, which acted as a reserve this side the Chickahominy, by Col. ROBERTS.

The infantry preceded the cavalry twelve hours. The Mounted Rifles quitted Williamsburgh o'clock on the evening of the 11th inst., under lowering clouds, and an atmosphere that presaged storm. We made a brief halt at Twelve-mile Ordinary. After leaving this point, our route lay through dense forests of pine and every variety of [illegible] vested land. At night and the column advanced, the darkness became terrible, the wind fairly moaned through the tall trees, and the rain, as long threatening, fell in torrents. We had two trusty white guides, but you may imagine how serviceable they were when we could not distinguish horseman at the distance of three yards, unless, perhaps, he was mounted on a white steed. Still, the regiment moved forward for many miles, keeping closed files, and carefully following the squad of stanking others; until, finally, the road, which before had seemed to be in a highly tangled condition, formed a knot like the Gordian puzzle. Here, apparently, fate had a choice bivouac in store for us—but not to, Col. WEST. The guides lit matches which blazed for a moment, (just long enough to exhibit our forlorn prospects,) and were then quenched by the rain. Still, we were making a few yards, or rather "taking ground to the right." The guide covered his hands with the phosphorus of the matches, and held them up. This did not remind one forcibly of a revolving coast light, but we persevered. Many of the men lost their way through the woods, two or three officers were missing, but fortunately all regained the column. We pushed on in this manner until about three o'clock, when it being perfectly impossible to proceed another hour, on account of the blackness of all surrounding objects, and the awful condition of the road, (when we found it,) we were compelled to sit patiently in our saddles until daylight, crouched to the rain, and ruminating upon the beautiful moral relation which the soldier sustains toward a grateful country.

At daylight we moved on rapidly, and made up for lost time. We came up with the infantry, and halted a mile this side of the Chickahominy River. They had surprised and captured a small rebel picket. We soon came in sight of the river at Ford's Crossing, and away we went on the gallop. The first rebel picket was discovered on the west bank of the river. They were in a tranquil state of existence, having divested themselves of their superfluous clothing, and "lain down to quiet dreams." They were sound asleep. The very doorkeepers of the great and invincible City of Richmond were snoring in their slumbers. After fording the river, which is quite narrow at this place, and the water about up to our saddle-bags, we swept onwards with drawn sabres, at a light gallop, capturing without resistance, four pickets, and keeping a bright lookout in all directions. As we mounted a hill in view of Charles City Court House, we caught a sight of the rebel camp, and with a loud cheer we commenced the charge. The charge was led by the field officers of the regiment, with Col. GRAMMONT and Col. WEST. It was irresistible. In less than fifteen minutes we captured ninety prisoners, including eight commissioned officers, nearly one hundred and fifty stand of arms, over fifty horses, and a large quantity of forage, commissary stores, camp and garrison equipage.

The rebels were holding the usual Sunday morning inspection in their best clothes, in camp, and made slight resistance, being either entirely surprised or not wishing to injure the few good clothes in their possession.

At the Court-house the rebels made a brief but spirited resistance. They were driven into two wooden buildings, and fired several volleys from the windows, at very short range. We surrounded the house, and compelled a surrender, which was formally made by the enemy, after exhibiting a white flag. Sergt. WOOD, a brave and faithful non-commissioned officer, was killed in the first assault upon the building. Capt. GARDNER was severely, but not dangerously wounded in the thigh. Our entire loss during the expedition was two killed and five wounded.

The rebel officers were, without exception, gentlemen, both in appearance and manner. Had their surprise been less complete, I have no doubt they would have made an obstinate defence. Many of the rebel soldiers were well uniformed, and were mostly armed with the Maynard rifles.

The force captured was a part of the Forty-second Virginia, commanded by Major ROBERTS, who was away at the time on his wedding tour. It was considered by the rebels a crack corps, they being admiringly styled "Flags."

After destroying their camp, all the arms, accoutrements and munitions of war, which we could not bring away, we retired leisurely across the Chickahominy. Here the regiment rested awhile. Col. WEST sent a small party to secure Diascon Creek bridge. The party arrived just in time to prevent the destruction of the bridge by a small squad of guerrillas, who retired after exchanging a few shots, wounding the guide severely. We arrived in Williamsburgh yesterday afternoon. The fair portion of the inhabitants behaved anything but amiably when they beheld the result of the expedition, in so many prisoners.

The rank and file of the captured party appeared rather happy than otherwise, with their sudden escape from rebelcom. One, (a nephew of United States Senator BOWDEN,) took the oath of allegiance, and several seemed disposed to do so. The officers, of course, are as bitter, as their systematic schooling to pervert the use of the free senses will make any one. Capt. ROBERTS, in command, owned nearly all the horses and equipments, and he reckons his loss heavily. Among the captured was a young woman in soldier's clothes.

We brought into our lines quite a large number of contrabands. The rebel officers told them they were not compelled to come. We told them they were not compelled to stay. They seemed to value our word more, and came. One of them, an athletic pure-blooded African, was relating his adventures. He said his master, in Richmond, had sold him for sixteen hundred dollars, to be sent South. He ran away and came to his wife, at Charles City Court-house. His master offered two hundred dollars for his capture, and he was obliged to hide. The morning of his arrival at the Court-house, he was lying asleep in the woods, and a little boy came and woke him up, and said that the Yankees had come. He said: "Go way, chile, what you want to fool de nigger for?" But just then he heard the firing, and, raising up, saw the blue coats of our troops on the hill. "I was so glad dat I come right away and left all my things."

The following is a list of the killed and wounded in the Mounted Rifles:

Sergt. Wood, Co. H—killed.
Corp. Smith, Co. H—killed.
Capt. L. B. Gregory—wounded severely in thigh.
Sergt. Hendrickson, Co. E—wounded in three places.
Private Stoppelbein, Co. H—wounded.
Private Johnson, Co. H—wounded slightly.
Guide—wounded in arm.
The rebels had three men wounded.

This raid has developed some interesting facts, which I would like to impart, but forbear on account of their military importance. C.

Fatal Catastrophe.

LOUISVILLE, Sunday, Dec. 20.

As seven laborers, this afternoon, were rowing a large scow, containing a locomotive for the Frankfort Railroad Company, from Jeffersonville to the railroad river depot in Louisville, the current carried them over the falls, by which the boat was upset and the locomotive sunk. Three of the men were drowned, and the remaining four were rescued by Capt. PIKE VERNIA, pilot of the steamer Cutts, who, with great daring, rounded his boat upon the falls.

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O. HOPKINS.

CATARRH CURED.

NEW-YORK, Aug. 22, 1863.

I have been suffering for the last three years from a severe Catarrh, with a continual dullness in my head, a tightness across my chest, a weight over my eyes, which were weak, watery and very painful. My nostrils were continually obstructed with a pouring of fluid. I have had frequent sneezing, hoarseness of my voice, generally attended with spitting, often with a fullness of my throat, together with a soreness and a dropping. Dr. Von Eisenberg has cured me of all these disagreeable sufferings. I now feel a new life. The treatment of Dr. Von Eisenberg is unfailing and is successful; it is impossible to overrate the benefit I have received at his hands. I heartily recommend any one suffering like myself to place *themselves under Dr. Von Eisenberg's care*, with a certainty of being *speedily* cured. I give this with gratitude and pleasure. I cannot forbear again saying that my voice, which was hoarse and thick when I applied to Dr. Von Eisenberg, is now clear and good; indeed, I feel abundantly satisfied.

JAMES LITTLE,
No. 245 7th-st., New-York.

NEW-YORK, Sept. 5.

I have been suffering for years past from a severe Catarrh, with a great heaviness over my eyes, with a severe depression, great uneasiness, and pain in my head, great difficulty in breathing, and a continual accumulation in my nostrils, which gave me restless nights for several years. I have consulted several physicians, who pronounced me to be consumptive. What I suffered for so long a time is indescribable. My system was entirely disarranged and greatly debilitated. I not only fell weak, but I had a cloud continually before my eyes, and my ears were so affected that I was threatened with a total loss of hearing. I must say, I think, I was guided by Providence to come to Dr. Von Eisenberg, who not only cured me of my Catarrh by removing an astonishing quantity of disagreeable matter from my head, but hereby restored me to perfect health, a blessing I have not enjoyed for many years. Now I enjoy a good night's rest, and pursue my business with comfort. I must acknowledge that Dr. Von Eisenberg's mild and scientific treatment for Catarrh deserves the highest commendation, as the principle which directs his system of curing Catarrh is such as to render success certain.

JAMES FURLONG, No. 556 2d-av.

No. 138 ALLEN-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 9, 1863.

I have been completely deaf in one ear, and partially so in the other, for above seventeen years, with a disagreeable discharge from both ears, combined with continual rumbling noise in the head, for which I have been treated by a most eminent practitioner in the City, without the slightest relief.

I consulted Dr. Von Eisenberg, but I must candidly say that I had no faith in his success when I did so. It is, therefore, due to Dr. Von Eisenberg to acknowledge that I am entirely cured; also, that he displayed that skill and knowledge which have procured for him such an unrivaled reputation. As I have had an opportunity of comparing his mode of treatment with that of others, I can truly state that it is not only superior, but the principles which direct his mode of restoring the hearing are, in my opinion, certain.

JOHN TAYLOR.

NEW-YORK, July 19, 1863.

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CHRONIC CATARRH CURED.

READ.

NEW-YORK, March 30, 1863.

This is to certify, that I have suffered from very severe CHRONIC CATARRH, with a dull heaviness in the head. I felt my nose completely stopped up accompanied by continual soreness of the throat, the chills stealing over me with occasional hot flushes, a great tightness of the chest and pain, so much so, that every one thought it was consumption. Having heard of the great cures performed by Dr. Von Eisenberg, I consulted him with but little hope of a cure. I am now happy to be enabled to add my testimonial to the great number already in the Doctor's possession, as to his scientific and successful mode of treatment, as he has shown in my case that skill and knowledge which have procured for him so great a reputation. I am so entirely restored to perfect health that I do most sincerely recommend all sufferers from CHRONIC CATARRH and SORE THROAT to apply at once to Dr. Von Eisenberg with a certainty of being cured."

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Southern District of New-York, ss.:

In the Circuit Court of the United States, District of Indiana, November Term, 1863.

Robert L. Cutting vs. the President and Directors of the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, et al.

NOTICE is hereby given, that on the 15th day January, A. D. 1864, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the Court-house, in the city of Indianapolis, County of Marion, and State of Indiana, I, the undersigned, Marshal of the United States of the District aforesaid, by virtue of a certified copy of the decree rendered and made by the Circuit Court of said District, and to me to the Clerk of said Court, will sell at auction, and public outcry, the following described property, and rights of the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, to wit:

The Peru and Indianapolis Railroad, running and extending from Peru, in the County of Miami, and State of Indiana, through the Counties of Miami, Howard, Tipton, Hamilton and Marion, to the City of Indianapolis, in said County of Marion; and all and singular the land and real estate of said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, as the day of March, 1862, or any time since, or acquired, together with all the land under and on each side of the track, to the whole width and extent that the said Company was or is entitled or possessed of the same, together with the superstructure, tracks and rails thereon and thereto attached, and all the franchises, rights, privileges, and immunities of said Railroad, as Peru to the Lake Erie, Wabash and St. Louis Railroad, and all the franchises, rights, and privileges of the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, in and to the same, and all the rents, issues and profits of said property, which said property, rights and franchises, and all the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company in the above-entitled suit.

The sale will be made without relief from the valuation and appraisement laws of the State of Indiana; and will immediately, but will be subject to an equity, and effect of the prior government lien of the said of said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, on the 1st day of July, 1862, to James Winslow, as Trustee, to secure the payment of the bonds of the Company, amounting to $1,000 each, bearing date the 1st day of July, 1862, and payable on the 1st day of July, 1863, and interest to date, and also subject to the rights and claims of the judgment recovered by the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad Company against said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, in the Fall of 1862, in the Circuit Court of Marion County, Indiana, for $37,000, and which judgment has been assigned to Daniel B. Hunt, who purchased money must be paid at the time the property is struck down, and upon default the property may again be offered and sold, the purchaser to failing to pay being responsible for any loss occasioned by the resale.

DAVID W. ROSE, U. S. Marshal.

Wm. Henderson, Hendricks & Hord, Attorneys for complainant.

Nov. 12, 1863.

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UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.

By BURDETT, JONES & CO.

By virtue of an order of the United States Circuit Court for the State of New-York, to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, on the 22d day of December, 1863, at 12 o'clock, at noon, on board thereof, the prize ship GOUDAR, her tackle, &c., &c., as she now lies.

N. B.—The above vessel now lies at the Commercial Wharf, northwest corner Atlantic Dock, Brooklyn.

Dec. 8, 1863. S. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.

DANIEL H. BURDETT, Auctioneer.

U. S. MARSHAL'S SALE.

BY BURDETT, JONES & CO.

By virtue of a writ of vendition exponas to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, on the 22d day of December, 1863, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Union Stores, Brooklyn, the cargo of the prize schooner ELIZABETH, consisting of dry goods, shoes, leather, hardware, Brass, Tinware, military equipments, rubber goods, blankets, lin., lead, &c., &c. S. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.

Dec. 12, 1863.

DANIEL H. BURDETT, Auctioneer.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.

BY BURDETT, JONES & CO.

By virtue of a writ of vendition exponas to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, on the 21st day of December, 1863, at 11½ o'clock A. M., at the Union stores, Brooklyn, the cargo of the prize schooner ELIDA, consisting of 3,000 cases, about 50 barrels cordials in boxes, olives in kegs, printing paper, and 1 bbl. white wax. ROBT. MURRAY, Esq., U. S. Marshal.

DECEMBER 9, 1863.

DANIEL H. BURDETT, Auctioneer.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.

BY BURDETT, JONES & CO.

By virtue of an order of the United States Circuit Court for the State of New-York, to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, on the 21st day of December, at 12 o'clock at noon, on board thereof, the prize ship ALLIANCE, her tackle, &c., as she now lies.

N. B.—The above vessel now lies at Underwriters' Dock, Brooklyn. S. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.

DECEMBER 8, 1863.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF FINE FURS, ROBES, GLOVES, &c.—MINER & SOMERVILLE will sell at auction, TUESDAY, December 22, at 11 o'clock, at their salerooms, No. 37 Nassau-st., a large and fine assortment of ladies' furs, embracing fine sable and mink, full, three-quarter and half capes, muffs and cuffs; ermine do. do.; also, squirrel, French sable, stone marten and stoat; ladies' and misses' sets; also, mink, sable, ermine and squirrel collars. Also, a variety of robes, gloves, gents' collars, &c. The above are all fresh and desirable goods, made for custom sales, and worthy the attention of persons about purchasing.

E. H. LUDLOW, Auctioneer.

CHICAGO AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS AT AUCTION.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 1863, at 12½ o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (for account of whom it may concern,)

$20,000 First Mortgage Bonds of the Chicago and Cincinnati Railroad Company.....$1,000 each.

$1,000 do do do do 500 each.

$2,000 do do do do 250 each.

ALSO:

1 Share Society Library, par $50.

A list of the above may be seen at the Auctioneer's office, No. 3 Pine-st.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

MINER & SOMERVILLE WILL SELL Mass auction, on MONDAY, Dec. 21, at 11 o'clock, at their gallery No. 37 Nassau-st., a collection of modern oil paintings of the various schools of art, embracing landscapes, marines, interiors, cattle, fish, winter scenes, fruit and flowers, &c., among which are the works of Bellemans, Vanderdonck, Sonnenne, Rosenkranz, E. G. Coster, Northcote, W. P. Mathews, Doty, Nicholas Le Ger, Stevens, Turner, and others. The above are now on exhibition.

ALBERT G. HAYWARD, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL, AT PUBLIC AUCTION, THIS DAY, (Monday,) Dec. 21, at 11 A. M., at the splendid private residence No. 123 East 18th-st., a few doors east of Broadway, all the elegant household furniture, consisting of dining-room, parlor and bedroom furniture, all first-class and made to order; rich Parisian ornaments suitable for holiday presents. Also, fine French plate mantel mirror, and one first-class rosewood Piano-forte. Those wanting furniture will find this a rare opportunity to supply themselves. The entire stock valued at $15,000.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, CORNER 6 and 22d streets, WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 21, 1863.

NOTICE.—WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION on WEDNESDAYS, the 9th and 23d December, inst., at the Corral, near the Observatory in this city, a lot of public horses and mules condemned as unfit for Government service. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

C. H. TOMPKINS, Capt. and A. Q. M., U. S. A.

AUCTION SALES.

E. H. LUDLOW, Auctioneer.

EXTENSIVE SALE OF CHOICE OLD MADEIRA AND SHERRY WINES, &c., &c.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on MONDAY, Dec. 21, 1863, at 12 o'clock, at the auctioneer, No. 3 Pine-st., by order of the executors of the estate of Tunis G. Pumyea, deceased:

A choice collection of fine old Madeira and Sherry Wines, &c., in demijohns and bottles, consisting of March and Bland Madeira, Sherry, viz.: Amontillado, Pale, Gordo, Old Sherry, 1846; Bachelors' Sherry, D. B. Sherry, Madeira, in magnums, (bought of D. Lynch,) Sherry, Port, Pedro Ximenes, Malaga, Malmsey, Malvoisie, Virgin Sherry, Dyson's Pale Sherry, 1842; Hermitage, Washington Burton, Bordeaux; Santerne, St. Peray, Pedro Ximenes, Lunel, Claret, Jamaica Rum, Brandy, &c.

The above wines are all choice, and well worthy the attention of connoisseurs.

Samples and catalogues ready on Friday, 18th inst., at the office of the auctioneer, No. 3 Pine-st.

PROPOSALS.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE, No. 4 STATE-STREET, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS (IN DUPLICATE) will be received at the office named until 4 o'clock P. M., on TUESDAY, the 22d inst., for supplying for the use of the United States Army, SUBSISTENCE STORES, to be delivered in New-York or Brooklyn, as follows, viz.:

6,750 barrels first quality PORK, MESS or PRIME MESS, of the packs of 1862-3 or 1863-4, in full-hooped oak or ash barrels, with iron master-hoops, must to be free from any taint, full weight and thoroughly salted; others will not be received nor paid for, if so proved, and the brands, if known, also the kind of barrel.

2,000 barrels NEW MESS or EXTRA MESS BEEF, in full-hooped oak barrels, with two iron hoops; packers will state the brands, and will exhibit samples when required.

The Pork and Beef to be received at each inspection must be shall be agreeable to the undersigned.

Proposers who are not able to deliver their Pork at the dates mentioned below, may state the time when they can deliver.

237,000 pounds first quality THOROUGHLY SMOKED BACON SIDES.

175,000 pounds of first quality THOROUGHLY CURED SMOKED HAMS. Proposers will state whether their Hams are pickled cured or dry salted, also the average weight.

164,000 pounds first quality canvased sugar-cured SMOKED HAMS.

The Hams will be paid for by their net weight, excluding paper wrappers and tagging.

The bacon and hams to be delivered in bulk for inspection and marking, at such points in the City of New-York as may be hereafter designated.

5,300 barrels of first quality extra superfine South-ern, St. Louis, or other brands of FLOUR, suitable for keeping in a warm climate. The brands and place of manufacture to be stated in the bids, and whether in round or flat hoop barrels. The barrels to be full headed and hoop painted.

500 barrels first quality kiln-dried CORN MEAL.

1,000 bushels first quality SPLIT PEAS, 60 pounds to the bushel, to be packed in suitable barrels or half-barrels, which to be stated.

525,000 pounds of RICE, in clean, good, sweet oak barrels. The samples to be seen at this office.

134,000 pounds of RICE, in double sacks, like samples to be seen at this office, containing one hundred pounds each.

30,000 pounds carefully selected TEA, in original packages, viz.: ½ Young Hyson, ½ Oolong; samples to be well stamped and in perfect order. Gunpowder and marks to be stated on the proposals. Each sample must be marked to tell with the name of the party offering, the cargo and close-mark, price and quantity offered.

30,000 pounds of new crop, light-yellow COFFEE SUGAR, of choice dry raw SUGAR; barrels to be new and of the best in market for purpose, and to be full headed.

30,000 GALLONS of the best quality of PURE VINEGAR, made only from cider or whisky, free from all foreign acids and injurious substances, kept of a uniform strength; the whisky vinegar to be three-five grains of acetic acid per gallon, or in half barrels of 30 gallons capacity, like samples at this office. Each proposal must state distinctly the kind and quality of vinegar offered and the kind of package.

1,120,000 pounds best quality of ADAMANTINE CANDLES, to be 16 ounces to the pound, one-half sizes, the remainder twelves.

5,000 pounds best quality of SPERM CANDLES, to be 16 ounces to the pound.

375,000 pounds good hard SOAP, to be made only from fresh fat, free from dirt, water, alkali, rosin, or any adulteration, to have no unpleasant odor, to contain not more than twenty-five per cent. of water, and to be well dried before being packed.

50,000 pounds Liverpool ground SALT, in sacks.

110,000 pounds CRUDE PEARLASH (black.) Bidders will please state the purity of pearlash, and whether Pearl or Fleming, &c., furnishing samples, and also state the price per pound at which they will have it ground, put up in four-ounce papers, and packed in boxes containing twenty-five pounds.

98,000 gallons good MOLASSES or SYRUP, in barrels or cypress half-barrels with pine heads, and at least four iron hoops.

53,429 gallons of good common WHISKY, to be full first-proof, according to the United States Custom-house standard. Barrels to be of good seasoned white oak staves and heads; to have twelve wood and four strong iron hoops, painted. Returns required from R. Pyatt & Co., Louisville, Ky.

100,000 pounds first quality DRIED APPLES, in strong, tight barrels.

10,000 gallons mixed PICKLES, in ten-gallon kegs; each keg to contain six gallons medium-sized cucumbers, two gallons green peppers, and two gallons onions. All the above articles to be delivered in three equal installments on the 6th, 11th and 16th of January, 1864.

POTATOES.—Such quantities as may be required during the month of January, 60 pounds to the bushel, in good ordinary well-coopered barrels.

ONIONS.—Such quantities as may be required during the month of January, 60 pounds to the bushel, in good ordinary well-coopered barrels.

Separate proposals, in *duplicate*, must be made for each article enumerated, and Bidders may propose for the whole or any part of each.

Samples of all the articles, except the meats must be delivered with the proposals, to the officer in charge. Samples of Flour, Corn Meal, Peas, Rice, Tea, Sugar, Salt, Pepper and Dried Apples, must be in neat boxes of cardboard or tin, fully labeled, *and not in paper parcels.*

A printed copy of this advertisement must be attached to each proposal, and the proposals must be specific in complying precisely with all its terms. Each bid to have consideration, must contain the written guarantee of two responsible names, as follows:

"We the undersigned, hereby guarantee that should any or any part of the above bid be accepted, it shall be duly fulfilled according to its true purport and conditions; also, that a written contract shall be executed, with bonds in the sum of $10,000.

Names of Guarantors.

To this must be attached a certificate signed by the U. S. District Judge, or U. S. District Attorney, or Collector of the Port, in form as follows:

"I hereby certify that the above-named are known to me as men of property, and are good and sufficient guarantors."

All bidders must give their names in full, and also state their place of residence and of business.

Each bid must have a printed copy of this advertisement attached to it.

The Government reserves the right to reject any bid which seems unreasonable or disadvantageous to it.

No contract will be awarded to any person offering more than one bid, or another bidder, from whom has been received an offer for furnishing any of the articles, or who is in any way interested in more than one offer.

T. E. SCOTT, Capt. C. S. V. S.

PROPOSALS FOR FORAGE.

CHIEF QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, DECEMBER 5, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS are invited by the undersigned for supplying the United States Quartermaster's Department, at Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Md., Alexandria and Fort Monroe, Va., or either of these places, with Hay, Oats, Oats and Straw.

Bids will be received for the delivery of 5,000 bushels of Oats or oats, and 50 tons of hay or straw, and upward.

Bidders must state at which of the above-named points they propose to make deliveries, and the rates at which they will make delivery, through the quantity of each article proposed to be delivered, the time when said deliveries shall be commenced, and when to be completed.

The rates must be uniform and in numbers (no bids).

Oats to be put up in good sized sacks, of about two bushels each. Oats in like sacks, of about three bushels each. The sacks to be furnished, without extra charge to the Government. The hay and straw to be securely baled.

The particular kind or description of oats, corn, hay or straw, proposed to be delivered must be stated in the proposal.

All the articles offered under the bids herein invited, will be subject to a rigid inspection by the Government inspector before being accepted.

Contracts will be awarded from time to time to the lowest responsible bidder, as the interest of the Government may require, and payment will be made when the whole amount contracted for shall have been delivered and accepted.

The bidder will be required to accompany his proposal with a guarantee, signed by two responsible persons, that if such his bid is accepted, he or they will, within ten days thereafter, execute the contract for the same, with good and sufficient sureties, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, to deliver the forage proposed in conformity with the terms of this advertisement; and in case the said bidder should fail to enter into the contract, they to make good the difference between the offer of said bidder and the next lowest responsible bidder, or the person to whom the contract may be awarded.

The full name and residence of the guarantors must be shown by the official certificate of a United States District-Attorney, Collector of Customs, or any other officer under the United States Government, or responsible person known to this office.

All bidders will be duly notified of the acceptance or rejection of their proposals.

The full name and Post-office address of each bidder must be legibly written in the proposal.

Proposals must be addressed to Brigadier-General D. H. Rucker, Chief Depot Quartermaster, Washington, D. C., and should be plainly marked "Proposals for Forage."

Bonds, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, signed by the contractor and both of his guarantors, will be required of the successful bidder or bidders upon signing the contract.

Blank forms of bids, guarantees, and bonds, may be obtained upon application at this office.

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

(Town, County, and State,) _____

(Date) _____

I, the subscriber, do hereby propose to furnish and deliver to the United States, at the Quartermaster's Department, at _____, agreeably to the terms of your advertisement, inviting proposals for Forage, dated Washington, Depot, Dec. 5, 1863, the following articles, viz.:

—— bushels of Corn, in sacks, at —— per bushel of 56 pounds.

—— bushels of Oats, in sacks, at —— per bushel of 32 pounds.

—— tons of baled Hay, at —— per ton of 2,000 pounds.

—— tons of baled Straw, at —— per ton of 2,000 pounds.

Delivery to be commenced on or before the ——— day of ———, and to be completed on or before the ——— day of ———, 186—, and pledge myself to enter into a written contract with the United States, with good and approved securities, within the space of ten days after being notified that my bid has been accepted.

Your obedient servant,

_____

Brigadier-General D. H. Rucker,
Chief Depot Quartermaster,
Washington, D. C.

GUARANTEE.

We, the undersigned, residents of _____, in the County of _____, and State of _____, hereby severally and jointly, covenant with the United States, and guarantee in case the foregoing bid of _____ be accepted, that he or they will, within ten days after the acceptance of said bid, execute the contract for the same with good and sufficient sureties, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, to deliver the forage proposed in conformity with the terms of this advertisement, dated Dec. 5, 1863, under which the bid was made, and, in case the said _____ shall fail to enter into a contract as aforesaid, we guarantee to make good the difference between the offer by the said _____ and the next lowest responsible bidder, or the person to whom the contract may be awarded.

Witness, { Given under our hands and seals this ——— day of ———, 186— [Seal.]

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above-named guarantors are good and sufficient sureties for the amount for which they offer to be security.

To be certified by the United States District-Attorney, Collector of Customs, or any other officer under the United States Government, or responsible person known to this office.

All proposals received under this advertisement will be opened and examined at this office on Wednesday and Saturday of each week, at 12 M. Bidders are respectfully invited to be present at the opening of the bids.

D. H. RUCKER,
Brigadier-General and Quartermaster.

ARMY SUPPLIES.

OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE, No. 205 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1863.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock, M., on MONDAY, the 28th inst., for furnishing by contract, at the Depot of Army Clothing and Equipage, in New-York City,

Cavalry Jackets,
Light Artillery Jackets,
Great Coats, Infantry,
Great Coats, Cavalry,
Flannel Sack Coats, lined,
Flannel Sack Coats, unlined,
Trousers, Infantry,
Trousers, Cavalry,
Flannel Drawers,
Knit Drawers,
Flannel Shirts,
Knit Shirts,
Stockings,
Blankets, Woolen, domestic manufacture,
Blankets, India Rubber,
Ponchos, India Rubber,
Booties,
Boots,
Metro Brogans,
Frost Coat Sleeves,
Hats, Felt, Infantry,
Hat Cords and Tassels, Cavalry,
Hat Cords and Tassels, Hospital Stewards,
Brass Letters, A to M,
Worsted Sashes,
Chevrons, Ordnance Sergeants, (Silk,)
Chevrons, Hospital Stewards,
Chevrons, Service,
Chevrons, Cavalry, for Sergeant-Majors, Quartermaster Sergeants, First Sergeants, Sergeants and Corporals,
Chevrons, Artillery, for Sergeant-Majors, Quartermaster Sergeants, First Sergeants, Sergeants and Corporals,
Chevrons, Infantry, for Sergeant-Majors, Quartermaster Sergeants, First Sergeants, Sergeants and Corporals,
Hospital Tents, Cotton and Linen,
Wall Tents, Cotton and Linen,
Common Tents, Cotton and Linen,
Hospital Tent Poles,
Wall Tent Poles,
Common Tent Poles,
Hospital Tent Pins,
Wall Tent Pins,
Common Tent Pins,
Camp Kettles,
Mess Pans,
Shovels,
National Colors, Artillery,
National Colors, Infantry,
Regimental Colors, Artillery,
Regimental Colors, Infantry,
Camp Colors, Artillery,
Camp Colors, Infantry,
Color Cords and Tassels, Artillery,
Color Cords and Tassels, Infantry,
Garrison Flags,
Storm Flags,
Garrison and Storm Flag Halliards,
Recruiting Flags,
Company Scales,
Canteens, complete,
Drums, complete, Infantry, full size,
Fifes, "A," "C" and "E,"
Company Order Books,
Company Clothing Account Books,
Company Descriptive Books,
Company Morning Report Books,
Regimental General Order Books,
Regimental Letter Books,
Regimental Descriptive Books,
Regimental Index Books,
Regimental Morning Report Books.

Samples or specifications of which can be seen at this office. Bidders will present samples of the articles or the materials of which the articles are to be made, which they propose to deliver, and state in their proposals the quantity they wish to furnish; how soon they can commence, and within what time they can deliver the full quantity they bid for.

A written guarantee, signed by two responsible persons, must accompany each bid, setting forth that if a contract is awarded to the party mentioned therein he will at once execute a contract and give bonds for the faithful performance.

The right is reserved to the United States to reject any part or the whole of the bids, as may be deemed for the interest of the service.

Proposals should be indorsed "Proposals for furnishing (here insert the articles bid for)," and address to

Lieut.-Col. D. H. VINTON,
Deputy Quartermaster-General U. S. Army.

PROPOSALS FOR CAVALRY HORSES.

CAVALRY BUREAU, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, WASHINGTON, D. C., NOV. 28, 1863.

Proposals are solicited, and will be received at this office, for the establishment of cavalry horses, to be delivered at Washington, D. C., St. Louis, Mo., and Chicago, Ill.

The horses to comply with the following specifications, viz.: to be from fifteen (15) to sixteen (16) hands high, from five (5) to nine (9) years old, well broken to the saddle, compactly built, in good condition, and free from all defects.

The ability of the bidder to fulfill his agreement must be guaranteed by two responsible persons, whose signatures must be endorsed to the guarantee. No proposals will be entertained unless the oath of allegiance of the person or persons bidding shall be on file in this office.

The ability of the guarantors of each bid must be shown by the official certificate of the Mayor, Postmaster, Clerk of Court, or of the United States District-Attorney.

Proposals must be addressed to Lieut.-Col. C. S. SAWTELLE, Chief Quartermaster, Cavalry Bureau, and be indorsed on the envelope "Proposals for Cavalry Horses."

Cavalry horses agreeing with the above specifications will be purchased in open market at the prices, at the following places, viz.: New-York City, Albany, Buffalo and Rochester, N. Y.; Pittsburgh, Penn.; Columbus, Ohio; Boston, Mass.; Augusta, Me., and Madison, Wis.

C. S. SAWTELLE,
Lieut.-Col. and Chief

FIRST MORNING.

GALWAY LINE.
THE
ALBANY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.
SAILING AT COBH HARBOR,
AND BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AS CIRCUMSTANCES
CANADA leaves Boston Wednesday, Dec. 23.
AUSTRALASIAN leaves New-York Wednesday, Dec. 23.
ASIA leaves Boston Wednesday, Jan. 6.
PERSIA leaves New-York Wednesday, Jan. 13.
AFRICA leaves Boston Wednesday, Jan. 20.
NOVA SCOTIA leaves New-York Wednesday, Jan. 27.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$130 to $150
Second Cabin Passage.....$60 to $65
EXCURSION TICKETS TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage.....$112 50
Second Cabin Passage.....$65 00
Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.
Further information obtained of
A. CONNELL, Agent, No. 2 Bowling-green.
The agents of the above ship will not be accountable for Bills or Valuables unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
For freight or passage apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

NOTICE.
The steamship CITY OF CORK, of this line, will sail as an Extra Steamer on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23, to be followed by the splendid accommodation for a few cabin and steerage passengers at reduced rates, payable in United States Currency.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway.

STEAM WEEKLY TO LIVERPOOL—Touching at QUEENSTOWN. (Cork Harbor.) The Superior Steamers of the Liverpool, New-York and Philadelphia Steamship Company are intended to sail as follows:
CITY OF WASHINGTON.....Saturday.....Dec. 26
EDINBURG.....Saturday.....Jan. 2
and every Succeeding Saturday, at Noon, from Pier No. 4, North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
Payable in Gold, or its equivalent in Currency.
First Cabin.....$80 to $80
First Cabin to London 85 00 Steerage to London.....28 00
First Cabin to Paris.....94 00 Steerage to Paris.....40 00
First Cabin to Hamburg 90 00 Steerage to Hamburg 27 00
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Bremen, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Amsterdam, &c.
Prepaid Tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown: First Cabin, $75, $80; Steerage, $30. Those who wish to send for their friends can buy tickets here at these rates.
For further information, apply at the Company's Office.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
The undersigned will dispatch one of the undermentioned or other first-class full powered British built steamers
NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL,
calling at Queenstown, Ireland, to land mails and latest TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES.
Ships. Tons. Commanders. To sail.
VIRGINIA.....1,870 Green.....Tuesday, Dec. 22.
These steamers have been all built under the inspection of the Government officers of the Liverpool Underwriters' Association, and have been for years with eight compartments, and classed first-class for 12 years.
They are fitted up for first, second, and third-class passengers, which are charged at the following rates:
First Cabin.....{$80 Steerage.....{$30 } Payable in Currency.
Dietary and accommodation unsurpassed by any other line of steamers.
For further particulars, apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.

STEAM TO LONDONDERRY, GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.
The National Steamship Company's first-class full-powered Clyde-built screw steamer
DAMASCUS,
Capt. Brown,
carrying the Canadian and United States Mails, will sail from Portland on
SATURDAY, Dec. 19.
Rates of passage from New-York: First cabin, $80 and $90, according to accommodation. 1st and 2d steerage, found and provisioned, $35 50, payable in Gold or its equivalent in United States currency. Certificates issued for bringing out passengers from all the principal towns in Great Britain and Ireland at very low rates. For passage, apply at No. 22 Broadway, New-York.
GABEL & SEARLE, General Agents.

FOR HAVANA, VIA NASSAU, N. P.
The British and North American Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's new Steamer CORSICA, Capt. La Mercantine, will sail for the above ports, from the Company's wharf, at Jersey City, on MONDAY, Jan. 4, and MONDAY, Feb. 1.
Passage to Nassau.....$45
Passage money to Havana.....50
Payable in Gold or its equiv lent.
No freight received on day before sailing.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

FOR HAVANA AND NEW-ORLEANS.
TO SAIL ON
SATURDAY, Dec. 26, at 12 o'clock M.
THE NEW SIDE-WHEEL U. S. M. STEAMSHIP
MORNING STAR,
J. M. COURTENAY, COMMANDER,
will sail as above from Pier No. 44, 2d Pier above Canal-st., North River.
N. B.—The splendid EVENING STAR will sail for HAVANA and NEW-ORLEANS, SATURDAY, Jan. 2.
JAMES A. RAYNOR, No. 181 Broadway.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS PER GEORGE CROMWELL FOR NEW-ORLEANS.
On account of an accident to her machinery, the GEORGE CROMWELL
is unable to leave as advertised for New-Orleans, and the steamship "LOUISE POINT" has been substituted and will leave on SATURDAY, December 26, at noon.
Shippers holding bills of lading per GEORGE CROMWELL are notified to send them to the late agent, office, and to insure their insurance to LOUISE POINT.
H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 55 West-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
The United States Mail Steamship
CREOLE,
Jesse Thompson, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 13, North River, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, for New-Orleans direct.
No freight received or bills of lading signed on the day of sailing.
For freight or passage, apply to
LUDLAM, MEEKER & CO.,
No. 115 Broadway.

H. O. ROBERTS' LINE, VIA PANAMA, FOR SAN FRANCISCO AND OREGON.
ON WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, at noon,
the steamship
ILLINOIS, 1,500 tons,
the finest, fastest and strongest steamship in the California trade, will sail as above, from the pier foot of Warren-st., North River.
For freight or passage, apply to
D. N. CARMICHAEL, No. 177 West-st.

STEAMBOATS.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND SPRINGFIELD.—Steamers leave Peck-slip at 5:15 P. M., connecting at New-Haven at 11 P. M., or remain on board over night without charge.

AT A MEETING OF RECEIVERS AND Shippers of Western Leaf Tobacco, held at No. 120 Pearl-st., New-York, Dec. 19, 1863,
JOSEPH FATMAN, Chairman.
R. B. MOORE, Jr., Secretary.
The following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:
Whereas, The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has recommended to Congress to levy an Excise tax of twenty cents per pound on Leaf Tobacco, grown in the United States of America, and has also recommended that no drawback of the said twenty cents tax be allowed on export of Leaf Tobacco; and
Whereas, Statistics of American and foreign Tobacco, show conclusively that the extreme long dealing in the trade, and especially the result of the great advance in the high prices of Leaf Tobacco during the past year, prove to us that such a tax as proposed would not only injure, but almost annihilate the export of American Leaf Tobacco, resulting in great loss to the agricultural population and shipping interests of the country, and would tend to throw the balance of exchange more than ever against the United States to the great detriment of our national commerce; and
Whereas, We believe that the injury to the trade of the country would more than counterbalance the revenue obtained from the proposed tax, therefore
Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by this meeting to proceed to Washington, and that they be instructed to lay before the Committee of Ways and Means such facts and statistics on the subject of the production and export of Leaf Tobacco, as will best serve the object of the Government, and interfere least with the interests of trade and industry.
Resolved, That this meeting considers a Tax on Leaf Tobacco inexpedient.
Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to visit Washington in pursuance of the above resolutions.
Mr. FATMAN,
Mr. LEOPOLD SHEPPER,
Mr. JOHN BRYAN,
Mr. WALLACE, and
Mr. CAMPBELL,
were appointed such Committee.
Resolved, That the cooperation of the trade at Louisville, St. Louis, Paducah, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore be invited; and that a copy of these proceedings be furnished by publication in at least three papers published in this city.
The meeting then adjourned to meet again at the call of the Chairman.
JOHN G. MOORE, Jr., Secretary.

COMMISSIONERS FOR NEW-JERSEY and other States—No. 5 Beekman-st., Room No. 1, first floor, over Park Bank.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.
The attention of capitalists seeking Real Estate investments is invited to the fact that
the population of the City of Newark nearly doubled between the years 1850 and 1860, and that it increased from 67,043 in 1860 to 79,000 in 1863, and is now almost 100,000.
No reason exists why this increase should not continue.
The subscriber has for sale three parcels of Newark land, which are regarded as very desirable for investment.
One of them consists of about 200 lots within a few minutes' walk of the Market-st. depot, and valued at $300 each; another consists of about 100 lots, valued at $200 each; and the third of about 60 lots, valued at $500 to $100 each.
For other particulars apply to
WARD McLEAN,
(Late Field & McLean.) No. 19 Wall-st.

FOR SALE—2 DESIRABLE BUILDING LOTS on 50th-st., 150 feet west of 8th-av.
Do. 2 Desirable building lots on 48th-st., near 8th-av.
Do. 24 lots on the 8th-av., comprising the whole front south of the Central Park; will be sold together, or other half.
For particulars, apply to
ALLEN & BROWN, No. 96 Broadway.

WANTED TO PURCHASE—
Several detached houses on Murray Hill; also, houses in any desirable location. Parties desiring to sell could not do better than by sending descriptions of houses or property they may have for sale.
ALLEN & BROWN, No. 96 Broadway.
JONATHAN W. ALLEN,
JOSIAH W. BROWN.

FOR SALE.—A NEWLY FINISHED HOUSE, containing 11 rooms, with 4 acres of land and plenty of fruit, pleasantly situated in Ridgewood on the Bergen Railroad, half-way to Newark. Price $6,000. Also, 16 acres, with house and farm buildings, in a desirable neighborhood, for $12,000.
N. G. FOSTER, No. 120 Broadway.

ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES AND Farms, in the most healthy, beautifully situated, one hour from New-York, for sale low. Also, country seats and farms to let. Apply on the premises, or to HENRY S. BLACKWELL, No. 10 William-st., New-York, 9 to 11 A. M.; No. 40 Main-st., Orange, 1 to 3 P. M.

FOR SALE—AT A SACRIFICE WITHIN THE next ten days, a splendid plot of vacant property, comprising 147 City lots, one hour's ride from Wall-st. surrounded by first-class residences and very valuable building sites. Apply to E. H. TAYLOR, No. 6 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—A DESIRABLE HOUSE AND LOT on the corner of 52-st. and 7th-st. Lot 25 by 100 feet. Furnished or otherwise. Also, a house of less value. Both will be sold for less than cost.
VAN WINKLE & WINANS, No. 14 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—CHEAPEST LOTS IN BROOKLYN. Four lying together, between Myrtle and Willoughby ave., and fronting on Spencer and Walworth sts. Will be sold separately or together. Apply in store No. 23 Dey-st., New-York.

FOR SALE—A BROAD-ST. CORNER PROPERTY between the Corn Exchange and Broker's Board, having a frontage of 150 feet; about 4,000 square feet.
JOHN S. KELSO, No. 18 Cedar-st.

FOR SALE—THE FIVE-STORY BRICK HOUSE and lot No. 38 Sheridan-st. Apply to MULLER, WILKINS & CO., No. 84 Pine-st.

WANTED—A FURNISHED HOUSE, BETWEEN Lexington and 4th-ave., and 21st and 34th sts. Address, with particulars, W. H. CLARK, Box No. 1,412 Post-office.

COUNTRY RESIDENCES.

COUNTRY RESIDENCE AT A GREAT SACRIFICE.—To close an estate a handsome country residence at Asbury, Warren, Co., N. J., is offered for sale. It is distant from New-York by railroad 1½ hours' ride; is situated in the most healthful and cultivated part of New-Jersey; has mountain air, pure water, good neighborhood, churches, etc. It is built in a substantial manner. The place has about 12 acres of land, a large modern house, with parlors, library, dining-room, large kitchen, wide hall, double stairways, bath-room, 7 bedrooms and servants' room, furnace, &c., &c.
Ample grounds are laid out in ornamental grounds, beautifully lawned, abundance of shade trees and choice fruit of all kinds, and flowers.
The outbuildings are barns large and ample, ornamental and ice-house, wood and other sheds, henery, &c.
The place will be sold at a bargain if applied for at once. It cost $12,000, but will be sold at less. Terms easy. Apply to RANDOLPH BROS., No. 181 Broadway, Room No. 22.

COUNTRY RESIDENCE FOR SALE—LOCATED in Washington County, N. Y., on the Hudson River, a few miles from a railroad station, and about ten miles from Saratoga Springs; four acres of land, comfortable old-fashioned white house, well shaded grounds, good barns and other outbuildings. Price, $10,000. A desirable Summer residence. For further particulars inquire of WM. H. WATKINS, No. 42 Reade-st., N. Y., or JOHN A. PATTISON, Argyle, Washington County, N. Y.

TO LET—IN FAIRFIELD, CONN.—A LARGE and conveniently situated house, being five minutes' walk from depot and churches, will be let for $175 until the 1st of May next. Can be had for a longer term for $250 per season. Apply to the POSTMASTER, Fairfield.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—LOT 22x93, house four stories, with modern improvements, and in first-rate order; the location is one of the pleasantest in the City. Apply at No. 36 Lafayette-place, from 11 to 3 o'clock. Price, $14,000.

FARMS.

FOR SALE—A FARM ON LONG ISLAND, FIFteen miles from the City, bordering on a beautiful lake, easy of access by railroad or water; has eighty acres of good land; old-fashioned house, good out-buildings, nearly new. For further particulars, inquire at No. 32 Rose-st. THOS. G. THORNE.

FOR SALE—A FARM ON LONG ISLAND, three miles north of Suffolk Station; new dwelling-house, 12 rooms; outbuildings, two fish-ponds, &c., and about 300 acres of land. For terms and particulars, apply to G. C. & E. J. GENET, No. 10 Pine-st.

TO LET.

FOR RENT.—THE AMERICAN BANK-NOTE Company offer for rent, until May 1, 1864, the whole of the upper or fifth floor of Trinity Building; also, the western half of the basement and sub-basement floors, to which there are entrances both on Trinity-place and Thames-street. These premises are furnished with water, gas and steam power.
The Company are willing to let for rent the second and third floors of the brick building, No. 70 John-st., where steam power can be obtained, if wanted. Apply to
WM. P. BLISS,
Secretary of the American Bank-Note Company.

TO LET—THE BASEMENT UNDER THE TIMES Office, fronting Park-row, state feet. Inquire of the Assistant, No. 41 Park-row.

STEAM POWER TO LET—AT THE EMPIRE Works, foot of East 26th-st. SAMUEL LEGGETT.

RAILROADS.

ATLANTIC AND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
NEW BROAD GAUGE ROUTE.
Passenger trains leave New-York via the Erie Railway, from foot of Chambers-st., running through to Cleveland, Ohio, without change of cars, connecting with railroads for all principal cities in the West.
The Road is in perfect order and cars are in complete traveling order to Mansfield, Galion, Urbana, Dayton, Cincinnati and St. Louis, without break of gauge.
H. F. SWEETZER, General Superintendent.
F. R. GOODMAN, General Ticket Agent, Meadville, Pa.

NEW-YORK & FLUSHING RAILROAD.
Leave New-York, at James-slip Ferry and 34th-st. Ferry, at 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7½.
Leave Flushing at 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 A. M., 1, 3, 5, 6 and 7½ P. M.
N. B.—On TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, a special night train leaves Flushing at 11 P. M., and from 34th-st. Ferry at 12 P. M.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD—WINTER ARRANGEMENT, commencing Nov. 16, 1863.—Leave James-slip and 34th-st. East River Ferries at 7 A. M. and on FRIDAYS and SATURDAYS at 4 P. M. Also, Greenport, Sag Harbor, Hampton, &c., stopping at all stations. For Islip, at 9 A. M. and 4 P. M. For Syosset, at 9 A. M., 11 A. M. and 4 P. M. For Jamaica and Hempstead, at 9 and 11 A. M., and 4 and 6 P. M.
Sunday excursion trains to Islip, at 9:15 A. M., from 34th-st., stopping at all stations.
Fare for this train at excursion rates.
For Syosset, (on Sundays,) at 5:45 P. M., stopping at all stations. A. REASONER, Superintendent.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD—FOR ALBANY, TROY, THE NORTH AND WEST.—Trains leave:
FROM CHAMBERS-ST. | FROM THIRTIETH-ST.
Express, 7 and 10 A. M., and 4 P. M. | 7:25, 10:27 A. M. and 3:37 and 5:30 P. M.
Albany and Troy, 8 A. M. | 8:20 P. M.
Chatham, 10:30 A. M. | 3:30 P. M.
On SUNDAYS, at 8:20 P. M., from 30th-st.
Tickets may be procured at any of the offices of Westcott's Express, in New-York and Brooklyn, and baggage checked at the house to all points on the road, and to Saratoga Springs.

ERIE RAILWAY.—PASSENGER TRAINS leave from foot of Chambers-st.
9 A. M.—Express for Buffalo.
8:30 A. M.—Mail, daily, for Otisville.
10 A. M.—Mail, for Buffalo and intermediate stations.
4:15 P. M.—Way, for Port Jervis and Newburgh.
5 P. M.—Night Express, daily, for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Rochester, Canandaigua, &c., the train of Saturday runs through to Buffalo, but does not run to Dunkirk.
CHAS. MINOT, General Superintendent.

NEW-YORK, HARLEM AND ALBANY RAILROAD.—Increased accommodations. Trains for Albany, Troy, the North and West, leave 30th-st. Depot at 10 A. M. and 4:25 P. M.
Sunday trains leave New-York for Albany at 4:25 P. M., and Albany for New-York at 9:15 A. M.
JOHN BURCHILL, Superintendent.

RARITAN AND DELAWARE BAY RAILROAD.—On and after Thursday, Sept. 10, the trains leaving New-York for Long Branch at 7 A. M. and 1 P. M. and leaving Long Branch at 6 A. M. and 11:30 A. M., will be discontinued. On and after Monday, Sept. 14, the J. D. BEERS will leave foot of Murray-st., at 3 P. M., for Manasquan, Point Pleasant and intermediate stations. B. S. SEYMOUR, Superintendent.

NORTHERN R. R. OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains leave Jersey City at 8:10 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 3:15 P. M., 4:30 P. M., and 5:05 P. M. The 8:15 and 4:30 run to Hackensack.
Oct. 12, 1863. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Sup't.

MORRIS AND ESSEX RAILROAD COMPANY.—FOOT OF BARCLAY-STREET.—Morning Mail trains for Hackettstown and intermediate stations leave New-York at 9 A. M. and 4 P. M. Morristown Express at 5 P. M. J. B. BASSINGER, Superintendent.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
THE OPERA.
Monday.....MAX MARETZEK
The Director begs to inform the patrons of the Opera and the public generally, that he will, on his return from Philadelphia, commence
FOUR GRAND OPERA NIGHTS
AND ONE MATINEE,
as follows:
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23.
FRIDAY, Dec. 25.
MONDAY, Dec. 28.
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30.
THE MATINEE WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, Dec. 26.
These will be positively the only performances that the return of the company in February permits, as they have to support opera in Boston, on Monday, Jan. 4.
On WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock, will be presented, for the first and only time this season, Verdi's great opera in four acts, of
UN BALLO IN MASCHERA.
with the following unparalleled cast:
Amelia.....Mad. JOSEPHINE BENDER
Ulrica.....Mlle. HENRIETTA SULZER
Richard.....Sig. FRANCISCO MAZZOLENI
Renhaut.....Sig. FERNANDO BELLINI
Samuel, Enemy of Richard.....
Sig. DOMENICO COLLETTI
Tom, Enemy of Richard.....Sig. Muller
Sylvan.....Sig. Manzi
A Judge.....Sig. Sabatini
CONDUCTOR.....SIG. ALTO JUNG
On SATURDAY EVENING, AT ONE O'CLOCK, GRAND MEMORI MATINEE,
in which occasion will be produced, for this time only, Mozart's chef d'œuvre,
DON GIOVANNI,
with its magnificent cast.
MOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.
Subscribers desirous to retain their boxes and regular seats are respectfully requested to give notice at the box-office of the Academy, which will be open for that purpose TO-DAY, and Dec. 21, from 10 to 2 o'clock.
PRICES OF ADMISSION AS USUAL.
The regular sale of secured seats and tickets will commence on Tuesday morning, at the box-office of the Academy, at Beer & Schirmer's, No. 701 Broadway, and at Root & Anthony's, corner Mason and Pine sts.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
GERMAN OPERA.
THIS NIGHT, THE 21ST.
Positively the last night of the season, when the great romantic opera, in five acts,
FAUST, by Gounod,
will be repeated, which was given on Friday last, to an overflowing house, with such immense success, that the press unanimously speak of that performance in the highest terms of praise.
The Opera will be performed as originally written by the composer, without curtailing whatever.
To close the full effect of the celebrated SOLDIER'S CHORUS in the fourth act, the
ARION VOCAL SOCIETY
will kindly assist.
Faust.....Herr Himmer
Mephistopheles.....Herr Wehrlich
Margaret.....Mme. Friederici
Valentine.....Herr Steinecke
Siebel.....
Martha.....Mme. Berger
CONDUCTOR.....CARL ANSCHUTZ
*** Mme. JOHANNSEN, having recovered from her indisposition, will appear in the important part of "Siebel."
A full military band in the fourth act.
The new scenery in the 4th act is painted by NICOLAS MEISTER, from Cologne.
The new costumes by JOS. STOLLWERK.
PRICES AS USUAL.
In consequence of the length of the Opera, the overture will commence at 7½ o'clock. The curtain will rise at 7¾ o'clock.

IRVING HALL.
THE NEW-YORK HARMONIC SOCIETY will give their twelfth annual performance of
THE MESSIAH,
on CHRISTMAS NIGHT, (Friday,) Dec. 25, 1863,
Commencing at 7½ o'clock.
Going executing by
Miss E. BRAINERD, Soprano,
Mrs. JENNY KEMPTON, Alto,
Mr. G. SIMPSON, Tenor,
Mr. J. R. THOMAS, Bass,
WITH FULL ORCHESTRA,
selected by Harvey B. Dodworth, Esq., comprising some of the most eminent resident artists.
GEO. F. BRISTOW.....Conductor
Tickets, 50 cents,
to be had at the music stores of Beer & Schirmer, No. 701 Broadway; Hall & Sons, No. 548 Broadway; Firth, Son & Co., No. 363 Broadway; Scharfenberg & Brook, No. 386 Broadway; Schuberth & Liebmann, No. 730 Broadway; at Irving Hall, corner 15th-st. and Irving-place, and at the door on the night of performance.

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"MOTHER GOOSE FOR GROWN FOLKS."
WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock, Abbot Hall of the New-York Historical Society, corner 2d-ave. and 11th-st. Tickets, 50 cents. For sale at the Library, down-town office and at the door.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PILOTS, No. 68 BROAD-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1863.
NOTICE.—PURSUANT TO RESOLUTIONS OF the Board of Commissioners of Pilots, adopted at a regular meeting of said Board, held Dec. 15, 1863, at their office, above indicated, all owners of vessels or craft now mank in the waters of the Port and Harbor of New-York, at or near Piers Nos. 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, and 57, North River, are hereby notified to remove the same, with all their appurtenances, within three days from this date, or the same will be removed at the risk and expense of said owners, as provided by law.
By order of the Board of Commissioners of Pilots.
D. A. NASH, Clerk.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, Dec. 4, 1863.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Ordnance Officers, appointed for the purpose of examining officers applying to be commissioned as ordnance officers, of a rank not higher than Captain, will assemble at this office, on the 4th of January next, for the examination of Officers of the Army, applicants for the appointment of General Ordnance Officers. All officers desirous of appearing before the Board, must first make application to that office to the Chief of Ordnance, stating their age, present state of health, where and how educated, and what studies they have pursued. Such as wish to appear before the Board at its next meeting should file their application as herein required by or before the 20th Dec., 1863.
(Signed) GEO. D. RAMSAY, Brig.-Gen.,
Chief of Ordnance.

THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL AFFAIRS will meet every day, until further notice, in the Chamber of the Board, at 1 o'clock P. M. Parties having business with the Committee are respectfully invited to attend.
Alderman TERENCE FARLEY,
Alderman PETER MITCHELL,
Alderman JOHN T. HEFFERNAN,
Alderman F. J. A. BOOLE,
Alderman JOHN D. OTTIWELL,
Councilman WM. JOYCE,
Councilman SAMUEL WEBSTER,
Councilman JOHN McCONNELL,
Councilman GEO. W. BRADDON,
Councilman JOHN GRAVILAND.

THE COMMITTEE ON BOARDS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every FRIDAY, at two o'clock P. M., in room number twelve, City Hall. All persons interested in matters pending the action of the Committee, are invited to attend.
TERENCE FARLEY,
JACOB M. LONG,
PETER MASTERSON,
Committee.

THE COMMITTEE ON SEWERS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock P. M., in Room number eight, City Hall. Parties interested in any matter before the Committee will have an opportunity of being heard.
GEORGE A. JEREMIAH,
TERENCE FARLEY,
CHARLES H. HALL,
Committee on Sewers.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS of the Board of Aldermen will meet every TUESDAY, in Room No. 8 City Hall, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of considering all papers referred to such Committee. All parties interested will please attend without further notice.
PETER MASTERSON,
JOHN FOX,
LEWIS H. EYERS,
Committee on Public Buildings.

THE COMMITTEE ON FIRE DEPARTMENT of the Board of Aldermen, will meet every SATURDAY, at two o'clock, in the City Library Room, City Hall.
JOHN McCOOL,
PETER MITCHELL,
LEWIS H. EYERS,
Committee on Fire Department.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH of the Board of Aldermen will meet in Room number twelve, City Hall, on TUESDAY of each week, at two o'clock P. M., until further notice. All persons interested in papers awaiting the action of the Committee are requested to attend.
TERENCE FARLEY,
JACOB M. LONG,
JOHN D. OTTIWELL,
Committee.

THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY, at 1 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 6, City Hall, for the purpose of receiving all papers referred to them. All persons interested are respectfully requested to appear when their papers are before the Committee.
PETER MASTERSON,
GEO. A. JEREMIAH,
CHAS. H. HALL,
Committee on Police.

AMUSEMENTS.

WINTER GARDEN.
TO-NIGHT AND EVERY NIGHT
MR. AND MRS. J. F. FLORENCE
will appear in their celebrated picture of
THE TICKET-OF-LEAVE MAN,
being the forty-second night of an engagement of unequalled success.
Among the many letters from persons in private and public life which commend this play, we take pleasure in being permitted to insert the two following, because the position of their writers lend to them a peculiar interest. Independent of the remarkable brilliancy which, as the first of the kind, distinguishes every page of the accomplished District-Attorney, which would alone compel his letter a feature of interest, Mr. Hall has for several years been a leader in the reformatory movement, and the "Ticket-of-Leave" system into the prisons of the State, in favor of convicts, whose conduct may seem to have entitled them to an enlargement of their prison surveillance. Mr. Evarts is known as representing the legal feeling on the other side, having been for several years Chief Pacific prosecutor, and the great criminal lawyer of Eastern Hall:

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK,
DISTRICT-ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, Dec. 6, 1863.
MY DEAR SIR: Permit me to intrude on you with my thanks for the great gratification, instruction, and relaxation afforded to me last night by your acting in the "Ticket-of-Leave Man." I had the scenes and incidents just so vividly before me as if my friend, Surveyor Andrews—who was with me in the prison—and myself had been on the journey to the Sullivan Gardens on professionally and laudably, I trust, to the benefit of our prison and Arms' Inn. To me, concerned, Bob Brierly is a living man. And, yet, I have seen many such in the course of my official career, and listened to his complaints—and, perhaps, helped him. But the fullness and forgiveness of "Bob" is actually more natural than him I have seen fresh from Sing Sing; or undergoing the same sentence with him in the Tombs.
It is many years ago, I was a dramatic critic, earning a portion of my daily bread for the "art," and, at times, not ungrateful to me Muse of the craft. But, if you have been, as I have, a dramatic critic, in the place of money, I cause to be disappointed! Tom Taylor is one of my favorites, and I would, as with Shakespeare—inferiorge vello—rather read his plays than witness their performance, because as few actors appreciate Taylor's subtle wit, or correctly work out his understrant of another, even if the author portrays, the author's conception, even if the actor portrays, the author's method, so, I fear, I should be disappointed, if I saw my favorite left in your hands. You sustained, from the first, throughout until the last heart-triumph, the character of Bob, just as he must have looked from the study of Taylor. You, in your (having that not) Minerva from the brain of the Jupiter-author, armed and ready for the fight. The Surveyor and myself more than once used the handkerchief while you acted. We were vexatious of it.
When men are much in the world of crime and contamination, they are not ashamed of emotion, if it be genuine.
The transition from the physical relief of May—with her guitar—to the moral result as the natural emotion of the heart at sight of her foes, was one of your best points. Perhaps she helped you to its excellence, for I have during my prison life, seen the inevitable mistake (no natural to natural) of actors (mistaken, I believe, too) as Mrs. Chanfrau presented to Tom Taylor's part. Your scenic by-play in her sewing-room, when the grandmother grew remembered, was better than any text could have been from the author. That, of course, is your triumph, not his. Indeed, the part may could have been presented on the very principle that, for your by-play, So, too, your long soliloquy, full of fancy, of the "Ticket-of-Leave" system into the prisons of the State, in favor of convicts, whose conduct may seem to have entitled them to an enlargement of their prison surveillance. Mr. Evarts is known as representing the legal feeling on the other side, having been for several years Chief Pacific prosecutor, and the great criminal lawyer of Eastern Hall:
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It is many years ago, I was a dramatic critic, earning a portion of my daily bread for the "art," and, at times, not ungrateful to the Muse of the craft. But, if you have been, as I have, a dramatic critic, in the place of money, I cause to be disappointed! Tom Taylor is one of my favorites, and I would, as with Shakespeare—inferiorge vello—rather read his plays than witness their performance, because as few actors appreciate Taylor's subtle wit, or correctly work out his understrant of another, even if the author portrays, the author's conception, even if the actor portrays, the author's method, so, I fear, I should be disappointed, if I saw my favorite left in your hands. You sustained, from the first, throughout until the last heart-triumph, the character of Bob, just as he must have looked from the study of Taylor. You, in your (having that not) Minerva from the brain of the Jupiter-author, armed and ready for the fight. The Surveyor and myself more than once used the handkerchief while you acted. We were vexatious of it.
When men are much in the world of crime and contamination, they are not ashamed of emotion, if it be genuine.
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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Funeral of Alderman Freeman.

One of the largest and most impressive funerals witnessed in this City was that of Alderman Freeman, which took place yesterday afternoon at the English Lutheran Church on Fifteenth-street. About 1 o'clock the procession, consisting of the relatives and friends of the deceased, members of the Common Council, representatives of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, Tammany Society, and the chief officers of the Police Department, proceeded to church, where a large number of people had already assembled. The coffin, beautifully decorated with flowers, was borne to the altar, followed by Mr. GUNTHER, Mayor elect, Judge DALY, Comptroller BARNARD, Supervisor TWEED, Superintendent KENNEDY, City Inspector BOOTH, and others. The funeral sermon, or more properly oration, was delivered by the Rev. Dr. JAMES SUMMER, who, after reading from the Bible the words "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, for as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, my thoughts higher than your thoughts," proceeded to make an application of the text to the occasion. The Doctor illustrated the fact that God's ways are not man's ways in the death of Alderman Freeman, and said it seemed strange with the community of which he was an active member, he would have lived to the age of a patriarch. God had seen fit to remove him, for what reason none knew—possibly because He wished us to have a higher appreciation of the value of good men, that we might strive the more to emulate them. The Doctor's remarks were listened to with profound attention. At their conclusion, the burial service was read, and an opportunity afforded the audience to see the remains. At 2½ o'clock the remains were taken from the church, when the procession was again formed, and proceeded to the interment in Greenwood Cemetery.

THE HERMAN AND KING MATCH.—The nearer the approach to the receipt of the result of this manly match the greater the excitement and the more lavish the betting. KING's backers are numerous, and were at the start offered the odds of two to one, and this is now considered the ruling rate. It was HARRY CLIFTON, of Broadway and Fourth-street, not Broadway and Eighth, who seeks to invest $2,000 or more on KING—the ruling odds being allowed him. Up to Saturday a well-known citizen had $17,000 invested on KING. A gentleman of wealth last week wagered a fine team of carriage horses on HERMAN against one moderately good animal. At all the resorts down town money flies around as though it cost nothing, and men who never bet before bet now. One of the best evidences that money is easily to be quantity that people are now so eagerly trying to get rid of on this bull fight. The news of the result ought to be here to-day. When it does come thousands will be poorer if not wiser.

ARTISTS' FUND SOCIETY.—The exhibition of the Artists' Fund Society closed last Friday evening, and the sale of the pictures takes place this evening.

LAW REPORTS.

Court Calendar—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.—*Part I.*—Nos. 2767, 2790, 2791, 2793, 2795, 2797, 2799, 2771, 2773, 2775, 2777, 2779, 2781, 2783, 2785, 2787, 2789, 2801. *Part II.*—No. 62. *Part III.*—Adjourned without day.

SPECIAL TERM.—Nos. 201, 170, 192, 226, 232, 245, 256, 262, 268, 304, 305—on calendar issues of law and fact—15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 31.

SUPREME COURT.—*Part I.*—Nos. 2491, 1182, 2145, 2140, 1449, 2078, 632, 1711, 2015, 2150, 2161, 2162, 2007, 2171, 2172. *Part II.*—Nos. 726, 2096, 2018, 2062, 2072, 2089, 480, 2066, 2046, 2054, 2056, 2058, 2062, 2064, 2060.

COMMON PLEAS.—Both parts adjourned for the term.

Supreme Court—Special Term.—Nov. 9.

Before Hon. Justice Mullen.

DEMURRER TO COMPLAINT.

ADOLPH HAMMER *vs.* CHARLES A. BARNES, *dang'd with Nash & Co.*—This case came up for argument before the Court on demurrer interposed by the defendant, Charles A. Barnes, to the plaintiff's complaint.

It appeared from the plaintiff's complaint that ADOLPH HAMMER (the celebrated Brewer) had devoted the greater portion of his life to studying the science of chemistry, and the practical application of the same to brewing, with a view of improving and perfecting the process of brewing, and that, after many years of research and scientific investigation, had discovered a new process by which he is enabled to brew at all seasons—even during the most excessive hot weather—both ale and lager-bier of the *most superior and uniform quality, which never sours.* He also claims that he can produce from inferior malt ale and lager-bier of *far superior quality* than is made by the old process from superior malt, and also at least twenty per cent. more of it when the same amount of malt is used with both processes.

The plaintiff was in the habit of teaching his process *to other brewers for a valuable consideration,* (some of them paying as high as $10,000,) they binding *themselves to keep it secret.* About *five years* ago he established a very extensive brewery in Harlem, for the purpose of carrying his new process into effect, and with a view of contradicting, by the results of his operations, the assertions of parties who were prejudiced against his discovery; and of others who, actuated by selfish motives, stood in opposition to the general introduction of his process. After only a few years operations his ale has become exceedingly celebrated throughout the United States, owing to its superior qualities, especially its unparalleled keeping quality, and the demand for it far exceeds the capacity of his brewery. He now considers that he has convinced the parties interested that his statements as to the merits of his discovery are correct; and, having disposed of his brewery, has withdrawn from the brewing business, with the intention of devoting his time exclusively to the teaching of the art of brewing.

The complaint further averred that NASH & Co., brewers, applied to the plaintiff for a knowledge of his discovery, which the latter, for a valuable consideration, agreed to impart to them, and thereupon an agreement was entered into between the plaintiff and NASH & Co., to the effect that the plaintiff should, in exchange for the process, the said NASH & Co., binding themselves in a heavy penalty not to impart it to any one, excepting their manager, CHARLES A. BARNES.

It further averred that the defendants broke their agreement, after having experienced the beneficial nature of the improvement, by imparting the knowledge of the process to other brewers, whereby the plaintiff has been damaged to a large extent.

The complainant concluded by praying judgment against NASH & Co., for $25,000 damages, and for an injunction against all the defendants, to prevent them from further disclosing the plaintiff's process.

To this the defendant CHARLES A. BARNES, by his counsel, John Townsend, Jr., demurred; and the Court, after hearing the argument of counsel on both sides, rendered judgment in favor of the plaintiff, overruling the demurrer, with costs, with liberty to answer in twenty days.

D. McMahon, for plaintiff; J. Townsend, Jr., for defendant. C. A. Barnes.

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MARRIED.

BEUPP—SCHIEFER.—On Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the Church of the Saviour, Brooklyn, by Rev. F. A. Farley, D. D., PHILIP BEUPP to EMILIE, eldest daughter of E. W. Schiefer, Esq.

GIRVAN—MASON.—On Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the Church of the Incarnation, by Rev. H. E. Montgomery, WILLIAM J. GIRVAN and SARAH E. MASON, eldest daughter of Charles Mason, all of this City.

[illegible]—At No. 9 [illegible], on Saturday evening, Dec. 19, at 11½ o'clock, [illegible], aged [illegible] years, 10 months and 10 days.

The [illegible] are invited to attend the funeral [illegible] the residence [illegible] Tuesday [illegible] at 1 o'clock [illegible]

invited to attend his funeral, on Tuesday morning, at 10 o'clock, from the Willet-st. M. E. Church.

[illegible] RIVER, WILLIAM [illegible], only son of William and Josephine Byron, aged 2 years and 10 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his parents, No. 348 West 18th-st., on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 1 o'clock P. M.

HOLT.—On Sunday morning, Dec. 20, EMMA LOUISE, infant daughter of James F. and Sara E. Hunt, aged 1 year, 2 months and 6 days.

Funeral on Tuesday afternoon, 22d inst., at 3 o'clock, from the residence of her parents, 155th-st., between 1st and 2d ave.

BARCLEY.—In this City, on Saturday, Dec. 19, SARAH BARCLEY, widow of Abner Barclay. In the 94th year of her age.

The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Jane Fowler, No. 203 Wooster-st., this day (Sunday,) 20th inst., at 2 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Elizabeth on Monday morning for interment.

CROWELL.—On Saturday, Dec. 19, of disease of the brain, HENRY R., son of Martin L. and Eliza A. Crowell, in the 15th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Tuesday, the 22d inst., at 1 o'clock, from the residence of his parents, No. 228 West 21st-st.

GLAYCOS.—On Saturday, Dec. 19, ANN ELIZA, wife of Edwin A. Glaycos, and eldest daughter of the late Thomas Constantine.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from No. 68 Grand-st., Williamsburgh, on Tuesday, at 10 o'clock A. M.

HOOK.—On Saturday morning, Dec. 19, ANNA GRACE, youngest child of David H. and Mary E. Hick, aged 1 year, 4 months and 16 days.

The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the Church of the Holy Innocents, 37th-st., near Broadway, on Monday, Dec. 21, at 2 o'clock P. M. The remains will be taken to the Marble Cemetery for interment.

DUFFY.—At Fordham, on Sunday, Dec. 20, LILLIE E., only daughter of Phillip and Jane Duffy, aged 4 years and 6 months.

The funeral services will take place at the residence of her parents, Fordham, on Tuesday, 22d inst., at 3 o'clock P. M. Harlem Railroad trains leave 30th-st. at 2½ o'clock. The remains will be deposited temporarily at West Farms.

Philadelphia and St. Louis papers please copy.

DYCKMAN.—At North Orange, N. J., on Saturday, Dec. 19, after a short and painful illness, NAOMI GRAME, youngest daughter of William H. and Naomi F. Dyckman, aged 1 year and 6 months.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, at the residence of her parents, in Dayton, North Orange, on Tuesday afternoon, 22d inst., at 2 P. M. Trains leave by Morris and Essex Railroad, from foot of Barclay-st., at 11½ o'clock. The interment will take place in Greenwood.

FROMENT.—On Saturday, Dec. 19, DOROTHEA FROMENT, aged 70 years.

The relatives and friends of the family, and of her son, Theodore Froment, respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 247 South 3d-st., Williamsburgh, this (Monday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

GOODING.—At Deep Creek, Utah Territory, on Friday, Dec. 16, JOHNSON GOODING, Superintendent of the Overland Mail Company.

[illegible] Washington papers please copy.

KREBS.—On Sunday morning, Dec. 20, ELLEN DE WITT KREBS, wife of Rev. John M. Krebs, D. D.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral service, to be held at Madison-av. Church, corner of 20th-st., this day, (Monday,) at 3 o'clock P. M. She will be buried from the First Presbyterian Church, Newburgh, on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 1 o'clock P. M.

LOUNSBURY.—On Sunday morning, Dec. 20, HENRY suddenly, of apoplexy, GENEVA W. LOUNSBURY, in the 35th year of his age.

His remains will be taken to Hartford, Conn., for interment.

LAZENBERY.—At Bergen Point, N. J., on Saturday, Dec. 19, MARGARET, 27th of Capt. David Lazenbery, in the 72d year of her age.

Notice of funeral in to-morrow's paper.

MEEHAN.—Drowned, on board iron-clad Workmanlike, off Charleston, on Sunday, Dec. 6, HENRY W. MEEHAN, Third Assistant Engineer U. S. N., only son of J. J. Meehan, of Brooklyn, aged 21 years and 11 days.

MANNING.—On Friday morning, Dec. 18, Mrs. MARY D. MANNING, widow of Jeremiah Manning, in the 72d year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family, with those of her son, J. Angus Manning, and her brothers, Daniel, William S. and C. M. Doherty, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, without further invitation, on Monday morning, 21st inst., at 11 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 72 West 12th-st.

SMITH.—On Saturday evening, Dec. 19, HENRY SMITH aged 38 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, on Monday, Dec. 21, at 1 o'clock, from his late residence, No. 170 East 30th-st. The remains will be taken to Greenwood for interment.

SMITH.—In Brooklyn, on Saturday morning, Dec. 19, after a short and severe illness, MORGAN GOOLEY, only son of Sydney E. and Elvira V. P. Smith, aged 3 years, 2 months and 27 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his parents, No. 6 Jefferson Park, corner of President and Hicks sts., Brooklyn, on Monday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, without further notice.

STILLMAN.—On Sunday, Dec. 20, FANNY, youngest daughter of Thomas and Emma T. Stillman.

Funeral at 12 M., this day, (Sunday.) Relatives and friends of the family are invited.

SCHUYLER.—In this City, on Sunday, Dec. 20, ELIZA, wife of George L. Schuyler, and daughter of James A. Hamilton.

WHITTINGHAM.—On Saturday, Dec. 19, MARY, youngest daughter of the late Charles Whittingham.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 207 South 9th-st., Williamsburgh, on Tuesday afternoon, 22d inst., at 2 o'clock.

Passengers Arrived.

In steamship Morning Star, from Havana and New-Orleans—S. Kelsey, F. Wolf, G. Goldman, Lieut. Morse, Mrs. Mentrive, M. W. Smith, H. Arcencon, R. J. Evans, J. F. Volger, M. Meilhet, F. Dauzacon, L. Levy, H. W. Mead, Capt. J. R. Smith, Mrs. L. Von Praig and child, Mr. Mann, C. Schaefer, Miss Flesh, B. Lecaya, Derille and servant, E. Egan, H. W. Fetrow, G. Reinterhoff, F. Lalont, H. A. Brown, L. B. Mentilla and lady, W. F. Caleb, O. Julian, lady and 3 children, G. P. Farley, E. H. Saulmey, M. Piquomet, R. M. Samotte, Miss Helen Dilloway, R. A. Southwick, Gen. Weitzel and servant, Capt. O. M. Wilson, Capt. Uhann and son, O. H. Wooster and lady, S. V. Suit, T. Suit, Nelson Fitch, A. Camps, Mrs. Howard, J. Fontric, Capt. Graves and servant, Neal, Lieut. Fitch, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Kauffman, E. W. Symonds and lady, Capt. Hamm, Capt. Blakesley, Col. Foster, N. Lodgard, W. A. Cline, J. Evans, S. A. Paris, Lieut. Emerson, Capt. Evers, Capt. James Nelson, W. Greenough.

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Hell Gate..	8 26		

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK.....SUNDAY, Dec. 20.

Arrived.

H. G. M. steam frigate Carmen, Commander Jose Pelo de Bernabi, Havana Dec. 18. She came to this port using only half steam power. Has been detained two days by the late S. E. gale, which overtook her 17th, when within 25 miles of Sandy Hook. The C. mounts 41 guns; is of 600-horse-power, and has a crew of 600 men and officers.

Steamship Hecla, Macauley, Liverpool Dec. 1, and Queenstown Dec. 2, with mdse. and 422 passengers to E. Cunard. Dec. 12, lat. 46 52, lon. 45, passed a large vessel bottom up. 16th, 3 P. M., off Nantucket Lightship, exchanged night signals with a steamer, bound E., supposed to be the Virginia.

Steamship Morning Star, Courtenay, New-Orleans, 12th inst., and Havana 16th, with mdse. and passengers to J. A. Rayner.

Steamship Merrimac, Sampson, New-Orleans Dec. 12, with cotton, &c., to H. R. Assistant Quartermaster.

U. S. steam transport Tuscarora, Swann, Hobert, Washington, D. C., 50 hours, in ballast to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

Steamer Parkersburgh, Hoffman, Portland, Me., with mdse. and passengers to H. B. Cromwell & Co.

Steamer Osprey, Aldrich, Providence, with mdse. to E. Bynner.

Bark Caconaie, (Fr.,) Briand, Martinique 21 ds., in ballast to Vassale & Reynaud. Had heavy weather.

Bark Heimdahl, (Nor.,) Torelsen, Alicante 49 ds., in ballast to order.

Brig Mira W. Holt, Lord, Nortolk 8 ds., with wood to master.

Schr. R. M. Demill, Hendrickson, Port Royal 8 ds., in ballast to Demill & Co.

Schr. S. R. Bailey, Robinson, Newbern, N. C., 10 ds., for Boston.

Schr. Napoleon, (3-masted,) Soper, Port Royal 6 ds.

Schr. D. C. Higgins, Band, Virginia, with wood.

Schr. Mary Eva, Freeman, York River, with oysters.

Schr. S. Eddy, Patten, Baltimore, with coal.

Schr. Palestine, Carnahan, Baltimore, with coal.

Schr. C. M. Newens, Hawkins, Baltimore, with coal.

Schr. Hale, Norton, Baltimore, with coal.

Schr. Ellen Baker, Jeffries, Virginia.

Schr. Armenia, Cavalier, Georgetown, with coal.

Schr. Eclipse, Coes, Georgetown, with coal.

Schr. Moonlight, Tuthill, Alexandria.

Schr. John Collins, Ruland, Virginia, with wood.

WIND—Sunset, N. W.

Below.

Bark Teresa, (Den.,) from Maracaibo.

Brig Gisla, (Aus.,) from Marseilles.

Also 2 ships unknown.

Sailed.

Dec. 16—Steamers Belvior, Thorn, City of Richmond. Ships Julia, (Bremen,) Columbia, Wilhelmina, (Brem.,) Octavius, (Br.,) Victoria, Uncomus.

Barks D. C. Murray, France, (Fr.,) Gertrude, and Marcval.

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